

March 23, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Sutherland High School is participating in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) as part of a countywide and district effort to gather information about the health risk behaviors of students in grades 6-12. Questions will be asked about personal safety, nutrition, alcohol and other drug use, physical exercise, mental health, sexual behaviors, and community involvement. The YRBS was developed by the Centers for Disease Control and has been approved by national, state and local school officials and has the support of many national organizations including the National PTA.

The survey has been done in Monroe County schools every two years since 1992. Information from the survey has assisted school, health and community organizations to plan services for youth based on local needs. Completing the survey poses no risk to your child. The survey is conducted in a manner to assure your child's privacy. Participation is voluntary and anonymous. Your support of the Youth Risk Behavior Survey is an important contribution to ensuring the health of our youth. The survey will be administered the dates of April 4 through April 10, 2017 during one of their physical education classes.

If you do not want your son/daughter to participate in the survey, please complete the form on the bottom of this page and return it to the SHS main office by Thursday March 30, 2017. A copy of the survey will be available in the main office for your review. If you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact Ann Kane, Prevention Coordinator at 267-3677 or [ann\\_kane@pittsford.monroe.edu](mailto:ann_kane@pittsford.monroe.edu).

Sincerely,

Ann Kane  
PCSD Prevention Coordinator

Carole Schwab  
SHS Principal

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I request that my child *not participate* in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey during the dates of 4/4 through 4/10/17. Please return to SHS Main Office by Thursday March 30, 2017.

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature \_\_\_\_\_