



DEERFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

The Anti-Drug Coalition is a local organization working to reduce youth substance use in our communities. Recent studies of alcohol, tobacco, and drug use among our nation's youth have established a positive correlation between substance abuse and low academic achievement.

In an effort to gather information that will be used to plan prevention and intervention programs to reduce youth drug use, District 113 has partnered with Illinois Youth Survey to conduct a survey of all students at Deerfield and Highland Park High Schools. Because trend data is beneficial for creating prevention programs, Districts 106, 109, and 112 will conduct the survey in grades six and eight.

The survey is voluntary and anonymous. Nowhere on the survey does it ask for your child's name or personal information. You and your child also have the opportunity to decline participation by completing the attached Opt Out Form and returning it to the school office by **February 24, 2020**. During the class period in which the survey will be conducted, your child will be assigned an alternative activity.

A blank copy of the survey is available for your review in the main office (K115) or you may view it online at [Survey Content](#). If you have any questions regarding the survey or its importance to programs in the schools, please contact my assistant, Julie Freeney, at jfreeney@dist113.org or 224-632-3016.

Lilly Brandt, Ph.D.
Director of Academic and Administrative Services

If you choose to Opt Out, bring this completed form to Julie Freeney in Room K115 at Deerfield High School by February 24, 2020.

OPT OUT FORM: Illinois Youth Survey

Please exclude my child, _____, ID# _____,
(please print student's name)

from participating in the Illinois Youth Survey being given at **Deerfield High School, March 5, 2020.**

Date

Parent's Signature