ANNUAL NOTICE REGARDING RECORDS

The Midland School District maintains records on each student in order to facilitate the instruction, guidance and educational progress of the student. The records contain information about the student and his or her education and may include, but are not limited to, the following types of records: identification data, attendance data, record of achievement, family background data, aptitude tests, educational and vocational plans, honors and activities, discipline data, objective counselor or teacher ratings and observations, and external agency reports.

The records of each student are generally located in the school which he or she is attending. Any exception will be noted in the student's other records or by the person in charge of record maintenance for each school building. The district policy on student records can be secured on request. The position of the person responsible for maintenance of student records for Midland Elementary in Oxford Junction (PS-5) is the Elementary Principal 563-488-2292 ext 3290 and for Midland Middle/High School in Wyoming (6-12) is the Secondary Principal 563-488-2292 ext 1120.

The following persons, agencies and organizations may have restricted access to student records without prior written consent of the parent or student over the age of 18 years. Any other access to student records shall be only upon written consent or upon court order or legally issued subpoena.

A. School officials, teachers and AEA personnel with a legitimate educational interest.

B. Officials of other schools in which the student proposes to enroll.

C. Representatives of state and local government when auditing and evaluating Federal education programs.

D. Officials connected with a student's educational financial aid applications.

E. Governmental officials to which information is to be reported under state law adopted prior to November 19, 1974.

F. Organizations which process and evaluate standardized tests.

G. Accrediting organizations for accrediting purposes.

H. Parents of dependent children, regardless of child's age.

I. Appropriate parties in a health or safety emergency.

Student records are reviewed and inappropriate material removed periodically and, at a minimum, whenever a student moves from the elementary to middle school level to high school and when a student transfers out of the district. Those records not of permanent importance are destroyed within three years of graduation or discontinued attendance.

Parents of students under age 18 and students over age 18 may exercise the opportunity to review educational records of the student, to obtain copies of the records at a reasonable cost, to write a response to material in the record, to challenge the content of the record on grounds of inappropriateness, inaccuracy or an invasion of privacy, and to have the records explained.

The principal person in charge of each attendance center may release the following types of information to the public, where appropriate, keeping in mind the privacy of the student and the student's family and the totality of the surrounding circumstances: name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, the most recent previous school of institution attended by the student and other similar information. Any student over the age of eighteen (18), parent, or guardian, not wanting his/her information released to the public must make objection in writing within fifteen (15) days of the date of this publication or within fifteen (15) days of enrollment should enrollment occur after that date, to the principal in charge of the school which the student is attending. It is desirable to renew this objection at the beginning of each school year. The parent shall be given a reasonable period of time, at least sixteen (16) days, after such notice to inform the district that any or all of the information with regard to his/her child should not be released without his/her prior consent.

Students and parents may file with the Department of Education, complaints concerning alleged failures of the school district to comply with federal legislation dealing with student records. Correspondence should be addressed to: The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Office, Department of Education, Switzer Building, 330 C. Street S.W., Washington, DC 20201.