



# HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

As required by state directives, students in grades four through twelve must be examined biennially, as of September 15, 2002 to detect possible spinal problems. The purpose of this mandated program is to recognize the problem at its earliest stages so that the need for treatment can be determined.

The procedure for screening is a simple one. The school nurse, who has received special training for the screening, inspects the child's spine as the child stands and bends forward. If further consultation seems necessary, parents of students who are found to have signs of a possible spinal abnormality will be notified and will be urged to consult their family physician for further evaluation.

If your child is currently under active treatment for a spinal problem, or if you would prefer to have your personal physician examine your child, or if you would rather not have your child examined for scoliosis, please advise your child's school nurse by checking the proper column below and returning this form to her before \_\_\_\_\_.

Sincerely,

Barbara Duncan  
Superintendent of Schools

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Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade/Homeroom \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ My child has been identified as having scoliosis and is currently under the care of a physician.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will have my personal physician check my child for scoliosis.

\_\_\_\_\_ I **do not** want my child examined in school for scoliosis.

\_\_\_\_\_ I **do** want my child examined in school for scoliosis.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_