

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT NEW RULE: KB & KB-R , PARENTAL RIGHTS AND NOTICES, AND PROCEDURES FOR COMPLAINTS

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of Laramie County School District Number Two, State of Wyoming, ("District" or "School District), intends to adopt Rule: KB, pertaining to Parental Rights And Notices, and Procedures for Complaints, subject to the terms, conditions and limitations prescribed by state law.

The date of public notice is May 17, 2024. The comment period will end on July 8, 2024. The name and contact information of the contact person for Laramie County School District Number Two is Justin Pierantoni, 311 E. 8th Street, Pine Bluffs, WY 82082, (307) 245-4050; justin.pierantoni@laramie2.org. This is also the contact information for the District.

Rule KB is authorized by W.S. §21-3-135 and W.S. 21-3-110(a)(xlii). The District has prepared a copy of the proposed rule.

The proposed rule complies with the requirements of W.S. 21-3-135. The proposed rule requires parents and guardians of students to be notified of changes to the educational, physical, mental or emotional health or well-being of their students. The rule states that the District cannot prohibit parents and guardians from accessing their student's records, and prohibits the school district from adopting rules which prevent school district employees from notifying parents of changes to their student's health or well-being. The rule prohibits school districts from adopting rules which encourage students to withhold information from their parents. The rule requires the District to obtain written consent from parents prior to students participating in any instruction involving sexual orientation or gender identity. The rule requires the District to obtain consent from parents prior to administering well-being questionnaires or health-screening tools to students. The rule requires the School District to inform parents of health services offered to students, and allows parents to decline such services. The rule creates a complaint and hearing process for individuals who believe the School District has violated the Parental Rights Policy.

The principal reason and purpose for the proposed rule is to comply with the requirements of W.S. 21-3-135 and to define the rights described in that law, including the notifications to parents of certain information about students, and the establishment of a process for parents and guardians to file a complaint receive a hearing if they believe the School District violated the Parental Rights Policy with respect to their student. The proposed rule meets the minimum substantive state statutory requirements. The rule describes the situations in which the School District must notify parents of certain changes to their student's health, and when the School District must obtain parental consent related to certain types of instruction and surveys. The rules establish a process and deadlines for parents to file a complaint with the School District superintendent if they feel the District has violated their rights under the District's Parental Rights Policy. The rule allows parents to appeal the decision of the Superintendent to the Board of Trustees of the District. The rule also allows parents to appeal the decision of the Board of Trustees to the District Court.

Laramie County School District No. Two has complied with the requirements of W.S. 9-5-304. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the assessment used to evaluate the proposed rule pursuant to this statute at the Administrative Office.

A copy of the proposed rule the Board intends to adopt; the statement setting forth the principal reasons for the adoption of these rules; and all documents referenced herein may be obtained as

follows:

1. On the internet, go to the URL: <https://www.laramie2.org/>
2. Laramie County School District Number Two Administrative Office, 311 E. 8th Street, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming 82082 (307) 245-4050; during regular business hours (8:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.);
3. or by mailing a written request to the District at PO Box 489, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming 82082, which request will include a self-addressed stamped envelope with sufficient postage to cover the cost of mailing a copy of the rules to the person who requested them.

Interested persons may present data, views or arguments regarding this intended action as follows:

1. Mailing or hand delivering written comments to Justin Pierantoni, at the District Administration Building, PO Box 489, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming 82082, (307) 245-4050, clearly marked on the outside of the envelope "Comments - Proposed Rule KB"
2. Or by email to the following email address: justin.pierantoni@laramie2.org.

Written submissions of data, views or arguments regarding this intended action shall be signed by the person who submits them, and must be received in the District Administrative Office no later than 4:00 p.m. on July 8, 2024, the final day of the comment period.

A public hearing will be held if requested by 25 persons, a government subdivision, or by an association having not less than 25 members. Requests for a public hearing may be submitted electronically to justin.pierantoni@laramie2.org, or in writing to PO Box 489, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming 82082. If requested, the public hearing will be held on July 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administrative Office Board Room, located at 311 East 8th Street, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming 82082.

Any person may urge Laramie County School District Number Two not to adopt the rule and request Laramie County School District Number Two to state its reasons for overruling the consideration urged against adoption. Requests for an agency response must be made prior to, or within thirty (30) days, after adoption of the rule electronically to justin.pierantoni@laramie2.org, or in writing to PO Box 489, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming 82082.

The Board of Trustees will consider all written and oral submissions with respect to the adoption of the proposed rule. The Board intends to act to adopt this rule at a special board meeting on July 10, 2024 beginning at 7:00 p.m., located at Administrative Office Board Room, 311 East 8th Street, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming 82082 after the expiration of the comment period and after the Board has considered all written and oral submissions with respect to the adoption of the proposed rule.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Laramie County School District Number Two
311 East 8th Street
Pine Bluffs, Wyoming 82082
Dated this 17th day of May, 2024.