

Use of Web-Based Tools and Applications

Dear Parents of Students under 13 years of age:

The Thompson Falls School District has identified web-based tools and applications for learning that it has found to be most effective for student learning. The District utilizes several computer software applications and web-based services operated by third parties for this purpose. A complete list of the programs with the privacy policy for each can be found on the District's website: [insert website address].

In order for students to use these programs and services, certain personal identifying information -- generally the student's name and email address -- must be provided to the website or application operator. The Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) requires these websites to provide parental notification and obtain parental consent before collecting personal information from children under the age of 13. The law permits schools to consent to the collection of personal information for non-commercial purposes on behalf of all of its students, which eliminates the need for individual parental consent given directly to the web site or application operator. The District cannot consent on your behalf to websites or applications collection personal information regarding your child for commercial purposes. COPPA requires that a website or application seeking to collect personal information for a child under 13 years of age must obtain consent directly from the parent or guardian.

Please complete and return this consent form if you consent to your child being allowed to access the approved websites and applications. You do have the right to "opt-out" of your child's use of such approved websites and applications and can indicate that by marking "opt out" below.

By signing this form and indicating "opt-in," you consent to the District providing personal identifying information regarding your child for non-commercial purposes. You may revoke this consent at any time, upon providing written notice to the District. Unless revoked in writing, this consent shall remain in effect.

Name of Student

Date of Birth

OPT IN

OPT OUT

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Date

For additional information on COPPA, please visit <https://www.ftc.gov/tips-advice/business-center/guidance/complying-coppa-frequently-asked-questions>