Billings Public Schools
Parent/Guardian Consent Form
Identity Instruction Opt-In

In accordance with Montana Code Annotated § 20-7-120, as amended by HB 471 (2025), Billings Public Schools requires parents/guardians written permission before a student may participate in Identity Instruction (opt-in).

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ School: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Information: _____

Definitions (HB 471, 2025)

• Identity Instruction: Instruction with the goal or purpose of studying, exploring, or informing students about gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation.
• Instruction: Organized learning activities, including the provision of materials, for students in a public school, conducted by staff or invited guests, regardless of method or duration. This does not include a teacher's brief response to an unexpected student-initiated inquiry in the classroom.

IDENTITY INSTRUCTION (Opt-In Required)

☐ I GIVE permission for my student to participate in Identity Instruction (including topics of gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation).

Please note that if you do not wish to have your child participate in Identity Instruction, there is no need to return this document. Students may not participate unless a signed form is returned.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this completed form to your building principal. Parents/guardians may revoke permission for Identity Instruction at any time by submitting written notification to the district superintendent.