

Family Notification Letter for Strengths & Needs Screener



Date: September 14, 2026

TO: All Families and Caregivers

FROM: Tangipahoa Parish School System

RE: Youth Strengths & Needs Screener for Students

Each year, we work to make sure every student in our school receives the support they need to achieve success and experience positive outcomes on our campus. Ongoing screening in both academic and social, emotional, and behavioral functioning can identify students that need additional support to increase their academic performance and improve overall well-being. Screening tools help school staff develop effective plans and allocate resources at the school, class, and individual levels.

On September 21, 2026, we will begin to administer the Youth Strengths & Needs Screener. **The Youth Strengths & Needs Screener is completed by teachers for students in grades K-4th and is available at the school for your review. Students in grades 5-12 will complete their own Youth Strengths & Needs Screener at school.** Please visit our [Social Emotional website](#) for more information. Information on the Strengths and Needs Screener will be under **Yearly Surveys**. Here are the [survey questions](#).

The results will be used as one data point in a proactive process that supports students with mentoring, organizational strategies, social skills, coping strategies, and other supports that help them fully engage in their learning. Should our team identify your child as needing additional support, you will be notified just as you would with academic interventions on our campus.

We encourage families to permit the Strengths & Needs Screener administration as it gives us important information about how well we are doing at the school level and how to best support each student in our school. We also know it is important to provide families and caregivers with the option of not having their child participate in the screening process.

If you do not want your student screened using the Strengths & Needs Screener, **please sign this form at the bottom and return it to us by Friday, 9/18/26.**

We appreciate the ongoing partnership with our families to ensure all students receive what they need and are able to experience success in our Tangipahoa Schools.

Sincerely,
Tangipahoa Parish School System

OPT OUT FORM - Return to the school to opt your child out of this survey.

I wish to opt my child out of participating in the screening assessment this year. By signing this form, my child **will not participate** in the **Strengths & Needs Screener**.

Parent / Caregiver Signature

Name of Student

Date