

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA

Voluntary SchoolMessenger Opt-In Consent Form for General Messages

Polk County Public Schools (PCPS) utilizes an automated parent notification system to quickly and efficiently notify parents of important school and district information. Such notices may include information regarding **school closures/delays, security alerts, absence notifications, cafeteria balances, and upcoming school activities.**

Due to recent changes to the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), parents are now **required to provide prior express consent to receive automated communications on their mobile device.** This means parents must provide express consent to receive general messages through automated calls and/or SMS text messages on their mobile device(s). Consent is not required if the call or text is for emergency purposes or if made directly from a principal, teacher, or other staff member.

Note: you can revoke consent to receive these messages at any time. Please take a moment to fill out this consent form below indicating whether you desire to receive these important messages in the future.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SCHOOLMESSENGER CONSENT FOR GENERAL MESSAGES:

I, _____, voluntarily consent to give PCPS permission to contact me via my cellular device for automated phone calls or SMS text messages for general messages. I understand that emergency notifications are excluded from this permission and will be sent as normal. **By signing, I am stating that I am the owner of this cellular device and its user contract. I also certify that I will notify the school immediately if I change or deactivate this number.**

Parent/guardian signature: _____

Date: _____

Cellular number: _____

I DO NOT consent to PCPS contacting me for general messages via my cellular device for automated phone calls or text messages.