

## Guidance for Opt-In Language on Surveys Provided to Students

This document is intended to provide grantees with guidance on how to ensure students are aware that their participation in the student impression survey related to the Bullying Prevention and Education Grant is voluntary. There are two areas where providing this information may be most effective: (1) on the survey itself, and (2) verbally prior to students taking the assessment. Below are examples of language for each of these options. Most third-party surveys already include language on surveys that explain the voluntary nature of the survey.

## Language on the Survey:

DO NOT put your name on this survey. Any answers you give will be kept private and no one will be able to know what answers you gave.

You DO NOT have to take this survey and can quit at any time. If you are not okay with answering any question, you can leave it blank. You will not get in trouble for not taking this survey.

Make sure you read each question carefully and answer truthfully. There are no wrong answers. When you are done, follow the directions of the person giving you the survey.

## **Directions from Survey Administrator:**

"We are asking you to take this survey so that we can make our school a better place to learn. Do not put your name on the survey. Teachers won't know how you answered any of the questions, so please be honest. There are no right or wrong answers, just whatever you feel is true.

You DO NOT have to take this survey and you can quit the survey at any time. You will not get in trouble for not taking the survey. If you want to skip a question for any reason, it is okay to do so."