Student Racial and Ethnic Identification

To the Parent/Guardian:

School districts are required to follow federal standards for collecting and reporting race and ethnicity of students. This information will be used to:

- Report information to the New York state and federal education departments.
- Plan educational programs and make sure that they are readily available to all students.
- Analyze differences in academic performance, attendance and completion of school.

We need your help in order to accomplish this task. Please review the Racial/Ethnic definitions on the back of this page. Put a check (✓) in the box for the category or categories which best describe your child. The Rush-Henrietta Central School District understands the sensitive nature of this information and wishes to assure you that it will be kept secure and confidential in accordance with all New York state and federal student privacy laws and regulations. If the information requested is not provided on this form on behalf of your child, a student records officer from the school or district will be required to identify the group to which the student appears to belong, identifies with, or is regarded in the community as belonging.

Thank you for your cooperation.

CONFIDENTIALITY PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

To School Staff: This form will be filed in the student’s permanent record as confidential information.

To the Parent/Guardian: The information which you have provided on this form is confidential. It is protected by the Confidentiality Regulations cited below.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (1974) prohibits unauthorized access to student records and unauthorized release of any student record information identifiable by either student name or student identification number.

Please complete the form on the reverse side of this page.
Rush-Henrietta Central School District
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All students between 5 and 21 years of age have the right to a free public education. Children may not be refused admission because of race, color, creed or national origin, sex, citizenship, handicapping condition, or immigration status.

Student ID Number: N/A
Student Name (Last, First, Middle):

Name of School: N/A
Date of Birth (Mm/dd/yyyy):
Grade Level: N/A

DIRECTIONS TO THE PARENT/GUARDIAN: PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS (1) AND (2) BELOW. PLEASE READ BOTH QUESTIONS BEFORE YOU RESPOND.

QUESTION 1
For question 1, check (√) the box that best describes your child.
Check (√) only ONE box.

Is the student Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish origin? Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish origin means a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

☐ YES, Hispanic
☐ NO, not Hispanic

QUESTION 2
Select one or more races from the following five racial groups.
For question 2, check (√) all groups that apply to your child.
Check (√) at least ONE box.

☐ American Indian or Alaska Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

☐ Asian: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands

☐ Black or African American: A person having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

☐ White: A person having origins in any of the peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.

Signature of Parent/Guardian/Other: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Relationship to Student (please check one box below):

☐ Mother ☐ Father ☐ Guardian ☐ Other (Specify): ___________________________

See reverse side for important message to Parents/Guardians and Confidentiality Procedures and Regulations.