

Opt Out Forms

Our school is now required to give your personal contact information, including your name, home address and phone number, to military recruiters.

If you DO NOT want your information given to the military, you have the right to “opt out.” That means that if you sign this form your information will be kept private. If you do not sign this form, your contact information WILL be given to recruiters.

If you want to keep your information private, the easiest thing to do is sign this form right now and return it to me. You can also return the form to _____

9th & 10th graders can return the form at any time, but juniors and seniors must return them by October _____ if you want to be sure your information is not given out, since the Department of Education will send lists of 11th & 12th grade students to the military beginning in early November.

Frequently Asked Questions

Do you have to be over 18 to sign this form?

NO. Any high school student can sign for themselves.

Does this mean that recruiters can't talk to you, or that you can't join the military?

NO. It means that YOU can decide if and when to talk to a recruiter, rather than having them calling you or coming to your house.

Does this mean that colleges or employers can't get information about you from the school? NO. If you only check the line that says “Military Recruiters” then your information can be sent to colleges or employers.

Can you get in trouble with the school or the government if you “opt out”?

NO. You WILL NOT get in trouble. Some students, especially immigrants, are afraid that if they sign this “opt out” letter that they could get in trouble. No one will be told that you “opted out”. That is the whole point. It is a way to keep information about you private.

Can you change your mind later?

If you do not “opt out” and your contact information is given to the military, there is no way to get it back. On the other hand, if you “opt out” now and later decide that you do want military recruiters to have your contact information, you can write a note and give it to the school and you will be put back on the list that the school gives to recruiters.

Once you have “opted out” do you have to sign this form again each year?

NO. You do not have to fill this form out again. It is the school's responsibility to honor your wishes unless you tell them IN WRITING to make a change.