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August 10, 2023

To the Parents of Juniors and Seniors,

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a federal law, prohibits the release of personally identifiable information from your child's education records, unless the district receives your written consent. However, there are some exemptions under the law.

Federal law requires school districts to provide military recruiters, upon request, with the names, home addresses, and home phone numbers of 11th and 12th grade students, unless a parent/legal guardian or the student, if over the age of 18, provides a written request opting out of such release.

Accordingly, if you DO NOT wish your child's information to be released to military recruiters, you must fill out the Military Opt-Out Form at <u>http://web.hillsboroughschools.org/militaryoptout</u>.

The form must be completed by Friday, August 25th. Failure to complete the form will be considered your permission to provide this information to military recruiters, upon request.

While we are committed to protecting the confidentiality of our students, we must comply with the law.

Thank you,

Hillsborough County Public Schools