

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child is being asked to take a survey at school called the California Healthy Kids Survey. The California Department of Education requires schools and districts to ask students about alcohol, tobacco, and other drug issues, as well as questions about school safety and the learning environment. Participation in the survey is voluntary on the part of the student, and we hope you will give permission so that your child's opinion and knowledge can be part of the information gleaned from the survey.

The California Healthy Kids Survey will be given to fifth graders at all BUSD elementary between January 27 and January 31, 2014. The results from the survey will help provide BUSD with information to improve school safety, student health, and the learning environment. Information from the California Healthy Kids Survey has recently helped BUSD obtain funds for alcohol, tobacco, and drug prevention education.

The survey is anonymous. No names or any other identifying information is connected to the answers except for the name of the school.

If you have questions, please contact (principal's name) at (phone number).

If you wish to view the survey, you may do so at the school office or on the BUSD website at *berkeleyschools.net*.

Sincerely

[Name, Principal]