

**RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES**

SCOLIOSIS SCREENING

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Pennsylvania school law requires that a screening for scoliosis be performed on all children in Grade 6 and 7. The purpose of the screening program is to detect possible curvature of the spine in children. If the condition is detected early and appropriately treated, progressive spinal deformity may be prevented.

The Ringgold Middle School will conduct a scoliosis screening program for students in Grade 6 and 7 each year.

The screening test is very simple and can be performed in less than a minute. A trained screener will check your child's spine by observing it while your child is standing and bending forward. Following the screening, you will be contacted if there is any reason to have your child examined with your family physician or medical provider.

If you plan to have your child's private physician conduct the scoliosis screening, the physician should complete and sign the form below for your child's school health record.

Please return the completed form to school as soon as possible

Student's Name _____ Grade _____
(Last) (First)

Scoliosis Exam results _____
(Negative) (Positive)

Physician's Signature _____ Date _____

Print or stamp physician's address: