

Dear Parents of School-Aged Children Under the Age of 13,

In order for The Vanguard School to continue to provide your student with the most effective tools to enhance their learning, teachers and librarians may use educational web-based programs and applications. Many of the Terms of Service and Privacy Policies of these applications state that, due to Federal Law, any users under the age of 13 must obtain parental permission to use their sites.

Based on the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA), these third party software applications and web-based programs must provide parental notification and obtain parental consent before collecting personal information from children under the age of 13. However, the law does permit schools to consent to the collection of personal information on behalf of all of its students, thereby eliminating the need for individual parent and/or legal guardian consent given directly to the online provider.

In order for our students to use software applications and web-based programs, please complete the below information providing consent for The Vanguard School to provide personal identifying information for your child consisting of first name, last name, email address, birth month and year, and/or username. Check the OPT-IN box below if you consent. Check the OPT-OUT box below if you do NOT want your child to utilize these programs requesting personally identifiable information.

Student Name (please print) _____

Parent/Guardian Name (please print) _____

- ☐ OPT-IN if you would like your child to use educational web-based programs and applications
- ☐ OPT-OUT if you do **not** want your child to use educational web-based programs and applications

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

For more information on COPPA, please visit:

<https://www.ftc.gov/business-guidance/resources/complying-coppa-frequently-asked-questions>