

## DUNMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Pennsylvania Department of Health has adopted regulations requiring each child in **grades 6 and 7** to be screened for scoliosis.

The Dunmore School District will conduct a scoliosis screening program each school year.

The purpose for school scoliosis 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 screening exam is very simple and can be performed in less than a minute. The school nurse will check your child's back by observing it while your child is standing and bending forward. You will be contacted if there is any reason to have your child examined by your pediatrician, family physician, or orthopedist. To assure a view of the spine, we request students expose their backs during screening. It is recommended that boys wear a shirt that can be easily removed. Girls should wear a bra, bathing suit top or halter under a shirt. Privacy is maintained at all times.

Your cooperation is essential to help us make this program run smoothly.

Your signature is required and indicates you have read this letter and will choose a private or school exam.

***Choose and return this permission slip to the school.***

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ My son/daughter will have a **private scoliosis exam** and report will be returned to school by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the school year.

\_\_\_\_\_ My son/daughter will have **school scoliosis screening**.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_