# SAVE Student's Act Education Opt-Out Form

**Sign & Return ONLY if opting out**

Ohio's 133rd General Assembly enacted House Bill 123, the "Safety and Violence Education Students (SAVE Students) Act," regarding school security and youth suicide awareness education and training. The state legislation calls for a comprehensive approach to school safety involving the Ohio departments of Education, Public Safety, Mental Health and Addiction Services and Attorney General's Office.

- Starting in the 2023-2024 school year, in grades 6 through 12 and continuing each subsequent year, schools must include at least three hours total (or three standard class period) per school year of evidence-based instruction in each of the following topics:
    - o Suicide awareness and prevention;
    - o Safety training and violence prevention; and
    - o Social inclusion
- Each school district must use a training program approved by the Ohio Department of Education
- Upon written request of the student's parent or guardian, a student shall be excused from taking instruction in suicide prevention, violence prevention, and social inclusion.

_____**OPT OUT:** As parent/legal guardian of **(*student name*)** _____ ,I request to have my child be excused from taking instruction regarding SAVE Student's Act Education.

Student Grade:_____

Parent/Legal Guardian Name (Print):_____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

If opted out, a student's "opt out" status remains active through the 2026-2027 school year.

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