



King George County Schools
Media Release Opt-Out Form
2023-2024

King George County Schools (KGCS) publishes a variety of information about our schools, students, and activities in both printed and electronic form. KGCS recognizes the success of our students by featuring them and their accomplishments in a variety of formats, such as printed publications, social media, websites, television programs, radio shows, and video productions.

KGCS and organizations authorized by the school division may interview, photograph and/or videotape students during regular school hours and/or while participating in or attending student activities. In addition, your student may create original works as a result of an assignment or participating in a program/activity sponsored by KGCS. These original works may include, but are not limited to, stories, essays, charts, graphs, diagrams, poems, plays, cartoons, drawings, paintings, sculptures, musical compositions, videotapes, audio recordings and photographs.

PLEASE NOTE: If your student participates in school events that are open to the public, such as concerts, assemblies, athletics, or extracurricular school activities, there is the potential for photographing and videotaping of your student. By participating in these publicly accessible activities, you are allowing your student to be photographed or videotaped regardless of media release options. Further, schools may publish or otherwise disclose Directory Information as permitted by school board policy and in accordance with FERPA.

If you have questions regarding this, please contact your school administrator. For more information, see School Board Policy JO.

Parents have the right to OPT OUT of such media releases. Please check the corresponding box below, complete the requested information, and return to your child’s school by August 25, 2023.

*****THIS FORM IS ONLY REQUIRED IF YOU ARE CHOOSING TO OPT OUT.*****

I understand that photographs or videos may be used for informational purposes within the school system. They may also be used to provide information about King George County Schools’ programs and activities to the public through school system publications, displays, in newspapers and other print media, on television, and on the Internet.

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Do NOT publish, display and/or use this student's photograph, image, name, or individual student work on any medium, including print, electronic, radio, and television. I understand the exceptions explained above and in Policy JO. This request to OPT OUT is valid for one school year and must be renewed annually.

Student’s Full Name: _____ Grade: _____
 Homeroom Teacher: _____ School: _____
 Parent Name: _____
 Parent Phone: _____
 Parent Email: _____
 Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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