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Dear Parent or Guardian:

The Yukon Koyukuk School District is partnering with the Association of Alaska School Boards to conduct the School Climate and Connectedness Survey ©, a statewide survey that measures how students and staff view their school climate and how connected students feel to adults and their peers, factors that are directly linked to improved academic achievement and reduced risk behaviors.

This survey will be administered to students in grades 6-12 at nine of our schools and to certified and support staff during the week(s) of March 9-20, 2015. The survey measures student perceptions of: school safety, expectations for learning, school leadership & student involvement, caring adults, respectful climate, how peers treat each other, connections between school and the community, and observations of student risk behaviors at school and school events.

The survey is voluntary, anonymous, confidential, and does not ask questions about students' families. The survey and a brochure describing its purpose and benefits to the district are available www.yksd.com or your schools front office if you wish to review them. If you do not want your child to take the survey, please notify the school office in writing.

Results of this survey will help students, parents, staff, and the community to better understand the interactions and relationships among students, teachers, and staff that constitute each school's social and academic climate, and to identify ways we can improve our schools to be more supportive, caring, and productive places for all students.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Sincerely,

Kerry Boyd
Superintendent