

Student Name: _____

Home Language Survey

In order to assure that students of Wareham Public Schools have equal access to education, we need to know the language that your child speaks with you, friends, neighbors, and relatives. Based on your answers, we will place your child in the appropriate class in compliance with the Federal laws and regulations.

1. What language did your child first learn to speak? _____.
2. What language do you use most often when speaking to your child at home? _____.
3. What language does your child use most often when speaking to you at home? _____.
4. What language does your child use most often when speaking to brothers, sisters, friends, and other adults? _____.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____.

Race/Ethnicity Data Collection

Every school district in Massachusetts is required to report to the Massachusetts Department of Education each year student data by race and ethnicity categories that are set by the federal government. The Department of Education does not report individual student data to the federal government, but does report the total number of students in various categories in each school. These reports help us keep track of changes in student enrollments and ensure that all students receive the educational programs and services to which they are entitled.

The federal government recently changed the reporting categories for student data. With the new reporting categories, you may now identify your child by ethnic group (either Hispanic/Latino or not Hispanic/Latino) and by one or more racial groups (American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, Black/African-American, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, White). Starting with the 2005-06 school year, all schools in Massachusetts will report student data to the Department of Education using the new categories. Please note that we have the right to ask for this information; we do not have the right to question your answers. For more information about the student data reporting categories, please see: http://www.doe.mass.edu/infoservices/data/guides/race_faq.html.

You *must* check one item from the first column and one or more items from the second column.

Ethnicity (please check one):

- Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin. A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (please check one or more as appropriate):

- American Indian or Alaska Native. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- Asian. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- Black or African American. A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- White. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Parent/Guardian signature _____ Date _____

The Wareham Public Schools reaffirms that it does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicap or sexual orientation in admission to, access to, or treatment in its programs or activities.