

Race & Ethnicity Information Form

Beginning in 2010, new federal regulations require that all U.S. schools gather statistical data on students' race and ethnicity using new categories. In order for the data to best reflect the identities of our communities, it is important that parents and guardians be thoughtful about their families' ethnic and racial identity when choosing the appropriate categories for their children. Both questions below **must** be answered to complete all student records.

Please complete one form for each of your students, answering both Question #1 and #2, and return the form(s) to the school office. Thank you.

Student Information

School: _____

Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Question #1 (required): ETHNICITY — Are you Hispanic or Latino? Yes No

All persons of Latino, Hispanic or Spanish origin (descended from a Central or South American, Mexican, Cuban, Puerto Rican, Dominican, or other Spanish-speaking country of origin, regardless of race or original language) should answer "Yes." All persons answering "Yes" to this first question will be recorded as Hispanic/Latino. Continue to Question #2.

Question #2 (required): RACE — Please mark all that apply.

You must mark at least one category. Those who choose more than one category will be reported as multiracial.

► **American Indian or Alaskan Native:**

U.S. A person having origins in any of the indigenous peoples of the continental U.S. or Alaska. **Tribal affiliation, if known:**

Latin America and Canada A person having origins in any of the indigenous peoples of Canada, Mexico, Central America, South America, or the Caribbean.

Asian A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent.

Black or African American A person having origins in any of the original peoples 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.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

*If an individual or the parent on behalf of the student does not complete the two-part question, then the educational institution will take steps to collect and document information allowing the reporting of the individual in one of the Federal reporting categories. The US Department of Education will continue its existing policy of **using observer identification in these cases.***