



# West Fallowfield Christian School

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Dear Seventh Grade Parents:

School law requires a scoliosis screening for all students in seventh grade. The Octorara Area School District medical staff will conduct the screenings in the fall. The purpose is to detect possible curvature of the spine in children. If the condition is detected early and treated appropriately, progressive spinal deformity may be prevented.

The screening test is simple and is performed in less than a minute. A trained screener will observe your child's back while your child is standing and bending forward. The program is offered in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Health physical therapy consultant. You will be notified if there is reason for your child to be further examined by your pediatrician or orthopedist.

To assure a view of the spine, we request that students expose their backs during the screening. We recommend that boys wear a shirt that can be easily removed. Girls should wear a bra, halter top, or bathing suit top under their blouse.

If you do not wish for your child to participate in this screening, please inform the school office in writing by September. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather Furlong".

Heather Furlong  
Principal