Dear Parent/Guardian,

As educators, we understand student mental health plays a key role in their ability to succeed in school. Fort Bend ISD is committed to working with you, not only in the academic education of your child, but also to ensure students reach their full potential socially and emotionally.

Each year, we provide students an opportunity to share their thoughts, feelings and social/emotional needs using a Needs Assessment. It is our priority to ensure students have timely, responsive, and effective social and emotional support continuously throughout the school year. The Needs Assessment allows us to recognize and respond to students' social/emotional needs as well as promote the wellness and development for all students.

The Needs Assessment addresses the following areas:

- Social/Emotional supports
- Sense of belonging
- Safety
- Post-secondary readiness

The Needs Assessment may pinpoint a concern, offering us the ability to secure additional assistance for students. This means that the assessment results may be shared with targeted campus and district staff if the assessment results reveal a potential concern. All assessment results will be kept confidential, stored separately from academic records.

CAMPUS NAME will make the Needs Assessment available to students using **INSERT METHOD** from October 16 – October 27th. Prior to its release, students will receive information about the Needs Assessment from their school counseling staff.

If you desire to **opt-out** of your child completing the Needs Assessment, please use this link: <u>Opt-Out Form</u>. Please do so by Friday, October 6th, 2023.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we address the needs of all students.

Sincerely,

CAMPUS CONTACT INFORMATION