

Race and Ethnicity Identification Form



To Parents/Guardians/Students and Staff:
 Under federal and State law the racial and ethnic classifications used to describe staff and students in public schools in Maryland have been modified. Please update the information currently on file in the school by completing and returning this form to your school by **September 1, 2009**. If this form is not returned by the above date, the current information will be converted to the new classifications as described in the Ethnic and Racial classifications below.

Student Identification Information
 This area may be used for placing a label with identifying information for LEA/school use.

DIRECTIONS: Part 1

Read the definition below and place an "X" in the box that indicates the respondent's heritage.

Hispanic or Latino

A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. The term, "Spanish origin," can be used in addition to "Hispanic or Latino."

PART 1:	Are you Hispanic or Latino? CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes Hispanic or Latino
<input type="checkbox"/>	No Not Hispanic or Latino

DIRECTIONS: Part 2

Using the descriptions below, place an "X" in the box or boxes that indicate the respondent's race. You must select at least one race, regardless of Hispanic ethnicity. More than one response can be selected.

If this form is **NOT** returned, the respondent's race will be identified by someone from the school district.

PART 2:		Check one or more races:	
	1	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native</i>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains a tribal affiliation or community attachment.
	2	<i>Asian</i>	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.
	3	<i>Black or African American</i>	A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
	4	<i>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</i>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
	5	<i>White</i>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

I verify the information on this form is accurate.

 Student, Parent or Guardian Signature

 Date

As the Student, Parent or Guardian of the individual listed on this form, I refuse to re-identify my race and ethnicity.

 Signature

 Date

I am the observer who identified the individual listed on this form.

 Signature and Title

 Date