***Notification of Rights Under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)***

*PPRA affords parents and students who are 18 or emancipated minors ("eligible students") certain rights regarding the conduct of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. These include the right to:*

*• Consent before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas ("protected information survey") if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U. S. Department of Education (ED) –*

*1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parent;*

*2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student's family;*

*3. Sexual behavior or attitudes;*

*4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;*

*5. Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family*

 *relationships;*

*6. Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as those with lawyers, physicians and*

 *ministers;*

*7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents;*

*8. Income, other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program*

 *or for receiving financial assistance under such program.*

*• Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of –*

*1. Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding;*

*2. Any non-emergency, invasive physical exam or screening required as a condition of*

 *attendance, administered by the school or its agent, and not necessary to protect the*

 *immediate health and safety of a student, except for hearing, vision, or scoliosis screenings,*

 *or any physical exam or screening permitted or required under State law; and*

*3. Activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information obtained from*

 *students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others.*

*• Inspect, upon request and before administration or use –*

*1. Protected information surveys of students;*

*2. Instruments used to collect personal information from students for any of the above*

 *marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes; and*

*3. Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.*

*The Medical Academy Charter School has developed and adopted policies, regarding these rights, as well as arrangements to protect student privacy in the administration of protected surveys and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes. The Medical Academy Charter School will directly notify parents and eligible students of these policies at least annually at the start of each school year and after any substantive changes. The Medical Academy Charter School will also directly notify parents and eligible students, such as through U. S. Mail or email, at least annually at the start of each school year of the specific or approximate dates of the following activities and provide an opportunity to opt a student out of participating in:*

*1. Collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales or other*

 *distribution.*

*2. Administration of any protected information survey not funded in whole or in part by ED.*

*3. Any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening as described above.*

*Parents/eligible students who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with:*

*Family Policy Compliance Office*

*U. S. Department of Education*

*400 Maryland Avenue, SW*

*Washington, DC 20202-4605*