

## NORTHSIDE ACHIEVEMENT ZONE Data Sharing Opt-out Letter

Ascension Catholic School is a key partner in the Northside Achievement Zone (NAZ), originally awarded one of five Promise Neighborhood implementation grants in the nation. The NAZ Promise Neighborhood is a collaboration of over 30 organizations and schools who work with children and families in a geographic area, or "Zone" of North Minneapolis to build a culture of achievement so that all youth graduate college ready.

Families and children move through a "cradle to career" pipeline that provides comprehensive support from prenatal through age 18. Working together, the NAZ collaborative provides services that are critical to supporting the success of North Minneapolis families and children.

If you have been identified as a NAZ family, you will receive support from NAZ partners with families who live in a geographic "Zone" of North Minneapolis to prepare kids for college, beginning at birth. By enrolling in NAZ, parents/caregivers will receive one-on-one support, guidance and inspiration from a NAZ family coach who will help you create a goal plan, find resources to make it happen, and then stick with it. Ascension and NAZ firmly believe every scholar can graduate from high school, ready for college, and are willing to do "whatever it takes" to achieve academic success.

**Driven by Data.** Our resources are dedicated toward measurable outcomes for children and families. Success is gauged by results for children and families, not programs and organizations. NAZ partners work together to build evidence-based solutions that drive measurable improvements with NAZ families. We track the progress of each child toward kindergarten-readiness, grade-level achievement, and college readiness. If the data shows that we are not effective, we will revise our plans until we get it right. **Relationships are the "Work".**

It is helpful for NAZ to be able to use data from all scholars to learn what is and isn't working. If you are not a NAZ family, and you would not like your scholar's program information and data (e.g., academic, enrollment/registration information, program attendance data, etc.) to be shared between Ascension Catholic School/Ascension Catholic Academy, and the Northside Achievement Zone and third party evaluators (such as Wilder Research), please sign and return this document to the front office at Ascension Catholic School.

I/we understand the purpose for sharing this information and data is for program evaluation purposes and data tracking purposes. Data will be kept confidential and reporting will occur at the group and not the individual level. Only sign and return this form if you are not a NAZ family, and you are opting out of the data sharing as described above.

In addition, I understand that ServeMinnesota and Ampact will collect my child's programmatic and other student data in their capacities as designated School Officials. I authorize each of them to release my child's student data to Northside Achievement Zone for evaluation and other proper purposes. I understand that this consent takes effect the day that I sign it, and must be signed each year. I may change this consent at any time by sending a written notice to Northside Achievement Zone.

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Parent Signature

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Scholar Name(s) (please print)

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Parent Name (please print)

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Date