

Student Risk Screening Scale (SRSS) Universal Screening (2023-2024)

Parent Consent Form

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Bledsoe County Schools is participating in the Student Risk Screening Scale (SRSS) universal screener as a requirement of TN AWARE grant program. The TN AWARE grant was awarded to six Tennessee Districts which includes **Bledsoe County**. The overall purpose of TN AWARE is building state capacity to support and promote school and community-based efforts to expand youth access to behavioral health resources and promote positive behavioral functioning among school-age youth. The SRSS is a behavior screening tool for identifying students with externalizing behaviors such as physical or verbal aggression, self-injury or disruptive behavior in the classroom and internalizing behaviors such as anxiety, withdrawal or isolation that require additional supports. It is a brief, one page screening tool, which teachers use to rate students on a 0-3 Likert scale based on how often they display a target behavior and is given to all students to help identify which students are at risk for behavioral difficulties who may need intervention and support. It is a tool to ensure that all students have equal access to additional support and interventions.

Participation in the SRSS screening is voluntary but encouraged, as it will assist in our development and implementation of meaningful supports and interventions for students. Copies of the screening tool are available for review upon request. Bledsoe County students will receive a permission form to take home during the week of (October 16th, 2023) for a parent or guardian to sign and check the box **yes**, my child may take part in this screening program or **no**, my child may not take part in this screening program. Please send this form back to school within five days (October, 20,2023).