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Professional personnel, including employees and non-employees of the district, wishing to conduct research in the Pleasant Valley Community School District shall submit a written request to and secure the permission of their building principal and the Assistant Superintendent of Schools prior to the research study. The request should include rationale for the study, procedures to be used, time lines, research instruments to be used, students involved, and other pertinent data. The school district will not underwrite any direct costs for research projects.

No student is required, as part of any applicable program, to submit to a survey, analysis or evaluation that reveals information concerning:

- political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student’s parent;
- mental or psychological problems of the student or the student's family;
- sex behavior or attitudes;
- illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior;
- critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships;
- legally recognized, privileged and analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians and ministers;
- religious practices, affiliations or beliefs of the student or student’s parent; or
- income, (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program).

In all cases, parents will be notified if their students would be involved in any type of research project and may decline to have their students participate.
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