

Save for College Program Opt-Out Notice and Form for Parents and Guardians

November 3, 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian:

New York City Public Schools (“NYCPS”) has partnered with the nonprofit NYC Kids RISE, Inc. on the NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program (“Program”). This free program provides qualifying students with money for qualified college and career training costs. NYC Kids RISE allocates \$100 for each student in the Program in an “NYC Scholarship Account”. Subject to funding, the City of New York and NYCPS are continuing to expand the Program this school year and your child’s school will be included. For more information, visit <http://nyckidsrise.org>.

This Notice contains important information on how to either (1) do nothing and accept the creation by NYC Kids RISE of a NYC Scholarship Account for your child OR (2) opt out and do not have NYC Kids RISE create an NYC Scholarship Account for your child.

For your child to have an NYC Scholarship Account, NYCPS needs to share the following information with NYC Kids RISE and a company called VistaShare:

- A student identification number unique to the Program
- Student’s full name
- Student’s birthdate
- Student’s home address and any future changes
- Home phone number
- School name
- Current grade level
- Language(s) spoken at home
- Transfers made to other schools, if any, both inside and outside the NYC public school system
- Parent/Guardian identification number unique to the Program
- Parent’s/Guardian’s full name
- Parent’s/Guardian’s email address
- Parent’s/Guardian’s cell and/or other phone number

NYC Kids RISE works with VistaShare to store participant information, manage an online portal, and provide technical support. NYC Kids RISE and VistaShare are only allowed to use or share this information to run and evaluate the Program. They are not allowed to sell, use, or share this information for any advertising, marketing, or other commercial purposes.

What options do you have?

1. **DO NOTHING (do NOT complete and return the form on the next page) if you want your child to participate and have \$100 allocated to an NYC Scholarship Account created and administered by NYC Kids RISE on behalf of your child.**

OR

2. **OPT OUT by completing** the form on the next page and returning it to your school’s main office by **12/3/2025** if you **DO NOT** want to participate. Your child will not receive an NYC Scholarship Account and your child’s information will not be shared in connection with the Program. Please speak to your school’s main office if you have any questions about completing the opt-out form on the next page.

Do you have questions about the Program? Call the NYC Kids RISE Hotline at 833-543-7473 or email NYCPS at SavingTogether@schools.nyc.gov.



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Save for College Program Opt-Out Form

Only complete and sign this form if you do NOT want your child to receive an NYC Scholarship Account. Return to your school secretary by **12/3/2025**.

As my child's parent/guardian, I DO NOT WANT my child's information to be shared with NYC Kids RISE or VistaShare. I **UNDERSTAND** that by withholding this information, my child **WILL NOT** receive a NYC Scholarship Account and no money will be allocated for my child.

Student First Name:	Student Last Name:
School Name:	Student's Official Class: Official Grade Level:
Parent/Guardian Printed Name:	Signature:
Date:	