NOTIFICATION OF ANNUAL SCHOOL HEARING SCREENING

Dear Parent or Caregiver,

Hearing is an important part of your student's ability to learn and progress at school. In accordance with state and federal law, an annual hearing screening is conducted at your student's school to help identify hearing concerns. The Utah State Department of Health has issued screening guidelines to help prevent the exposure and spread of COVID-19 during screening. These guidelines include disinfection of headphones and contact surfaces between each student and the adult screeners wearing masks. Hearing screening this year in the elementary schools includes preschool (if not previously screened), Kindergarten, 3rd grade, all students in special ed and students who are new to the district. Please let your student's teacher know if you would like them screened and they are not part of one of the groups above. This year, your school's hearing screening is scheduled for **10/5/2021**.

The hearing screening is a very simple procedure and will take only a few minutes. If your student is absent or does not pass the initial screening, they will be rechecked on a later date and you will be notified if they do not pass the rescreen. If you <u>DO NOT</u> want your student to be screened, please send an email or signed and dated note to your student's teacher prior to the screening indicating you don't want them to be screened.

Thank you!