## SchoolMessenger Account Setup

Wappingers CSD uses the SchoolMessenger Notification System to provide timely communication to parents and staff members on matters such as attendance, general interest activities and campus and district emergencies. In order to enhance our ability to accurately deliver that information, we kindly request that you create your own contact preference profile using SchoolMessenger's Contact Manager web site. Contact Manager allows you to control the ways in which you prefer to be contacted. It also works like a mailbox, giving you a place to review messages you may have missed.

In order to utilize this feature simply follow the steps below to create an account through the secure Contact Manager web site provided by SchoolMessenger.

Steps for setting up your account:

Enter the following URL into your web browser: <u>https://contactme.schoolmessenger.com/newportaluser.php?u=wappingers</u>

- 1. Click the Sign Up Now link near the bottom of the page.
- 2. You will be taken to the Sign Up page where you will need to enter a valid email address, a password, your name, and zip code.

You'll use your email address and the password you enter here to sign in later. Check *Email me when I have a new phone message* if you would like to receive an email message each time there is a new message in your mailbox. . Read/Accept the "Terms of Service". Click *Create Account* when you are done.

[<u>Note</u>: SchoolMessenger has a strict privacy policy and does not sell or distribute your contact information to any 3<sup>rd</sup> party.]

- 1. Check your email. There will be an Account Activation email from contactme@schoolmessenger.com which contains a link to activate your account. This link will take you to a confirmation page where you must enter your password in order to activate your account.
- 2. Once you've activated your account, you're ready to add your child to your account. Click the link on the main page and add your child's student ID #.
- 3. Simply follow the instructions on the page to call in and activate your account. You will need to be able to call into the system from one of the phone numbers associated with your child's student record.

When you have finished adding your child to your account, you will be brought to the Welcome Screen. Click on the *Contacts* tab at the top of the screen, and then click *Edit* to the right of your student's name. You will then be brought to the *Contact Details* page where you can simply check which types of messages you would like to receive and at which phone number or email address. Make sure that you click *Save* when you are done making changes

If you have other children attending school in this district, you will be able to add them all to the same Contact Manager account.

Thank you for signing up, and we hope you enjoy the SchoolMessenger Contact Manager!

To learn more about SchoolMessenger please visit their web site at www.schoolmessenger.com