



## SUPPORT Student Privacy Campaign STOP Sec. 9528 of the No Child Left Behind Act

**Purpose: To inform and alert the educational, and the broader community regarding the violation of student privacy in Section 9528 of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2002.**

Section 9528 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act provides military recruiters with the name, address and phone number of secondary students unless they sign and return an Opt Out form. It also mandates that military recruiters will have access to all public schools at any time. The specific process at each school is determined by each school district.

- In the coming months the reauthorization of The No Child Left Behind Act (ESEA) will be debated in the House and Senate.
- We strongly oppose the high-stakes testing and unfair school and district ratings (AYP) that the NCLB Act imposes on students and schools. Penalties on schools are not productive. These impositions are an attempt to privatize the public educational system.
- Military recruitment DOES NOT BELONG in any Federal Statute on public education. Student privacy must be protected and honored. Under present NCLB statutes, students are not informed of their rights or about this law. Demand that Section 9528 be removed from the NCLB Act! (see text of Section 9528 below)
- Military recruiters aggressively approach students, sell them on recruitment with lies and misinformation in order to meet their quotas. This has been well-documented by many media sources. There is no recourse to deal with these violations of the educational environment.

Take Action:

1. Contact your teacher unions (local i.e. UTLA, state- CFT or CTA, national- AFT or NEA) and request that union take a position to eliminate Section 9528 from NCLB on their reauthorization agenda.

2. Write to your congressperson and express your concern about Section 9528 and the military recruitment in our high schools (see sample letter attached)
3. Set up an appointment to talk with your congressperson.
4. Request that Section 9528 be addressed in any of the scheduled legislative visits by organizations or individuals in the coming months regarding NCLB, or the Iraq War.
5. Write letters to the editor in newspapers, school bulletins, web sites and inform the public.
6. Whenever you hear discussions about NCLB- express your concern about the military recruitment privacy provision. Get the word out!
7. Support CAMS [www.militaryfreeschools.org](http://www.militaryfreeschools.org) 626-799-9118. Join our movement. Contact us for more information [info@militaryfreeschools.org](mailto:info@militaryfreeschools.org)

**Attachments:**

Text of Section 9528 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act

Sample Letter to Congress

Sample Resolution

The Coalition Against Militarism in our Schools (CAMS) is a nonprofit organization of teachers, students, parents and community united and mobilized to address the increasing militarism in our schools and to promote nonviolent and creative alternatives.