

OPT-OUT Form for Use of Student Photographs by Countryside's PTO

We are thrilled that Countryside parent, Sallie Delaney, has volunteered again to be our school's official photographer and archivist. She will be at our school-sponsored events (or send a delegate), photographing life at Countryside and documenting the many events and activities that make our community special and exciting.

Countryside School has aligned its photo-permission policy with that of the Newton Public Schools. We will adopt an "opt-out" policy. This means that students at Countryside may be photographed by staff, students or parents while participating in school events and activities. The news media will NOT have access to students or the school building.

This photo sharing will occur mainly on school premises (bulletin boards, classrooms, etc.), in the privately-distributed PTO Update newsletter, and through password-protected websites, such as Snapfish, Shutterfly or Kodak EasyShare. Access to photos through one of these online services will be granted on a permission-only, password-protected basis within the Countryside community of parents and teachers. Children's names will never be used or associated with any of these photos.

Questions? Contact Sallie Delaney, at salliedelaney@comcast.net The Newton Public Schools' policy statement can be found in full in the "Students' Rights & Responsibilities Handbook" on its website at www.newton.k12.ma.us

RETURN FORM ONLY IF YOU DO NOT GRANT PERMISSION FOR POSTING PHOTOGRAPHS OF A STUDENT in classrooms, on school bulletin boards, in the Countryside "Update" newsletter and through password-protected websites **for the 2011-2012 school year.**
If you grant permission, you do not need to do anything.

Parent/Guardian "OPT-OUT"

Please sign below and return this form to the Countryside PTO box by the office if you **DO NOT** grant permission for a photograph containing an image of your child to be used as described above.

Name of Student(s): _____

Grade(s), Teacher(s): _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____