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Parent Notice of Potential Release of Student Information

Lawsuit affects release of student data—Opt out form available

The California Department of Education (CDE) is currently engaged in litigation with two non-profit associations comprised of parents and guardians of children with disabilities. The plaintiffs in that litigation have requested numerous documents, as well as student data that is collected and stored by the CDE, which may include personally identifiable student information from all K-12 students who have attended a California school since 2008.

To comply with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, CDE has been ordered, among other things, to inform parents and students of the disclosure of such information. CDE has requested that school districts, including ours, and special education local plan areas (SELPAs) post the following link to the CDE's website: http://www.cde.ca.gov/morganhillcase.

The link provides a Notice and Objection form to allow parents to object, by April 1, 2016, to the disclosure of personally identifiable information related to their children. Please understand that Paradise Unified School District is not a party to the litigation.

If you have questions, or would like more information, please contact the CDE directly at 916-319-0800.

Links:

- http://www.cde.ca.gov/morganhillcase
- Objection to Disclosure
- Superintendent Torlakson Voices Strong Support for Protecting Student Privacy and Explains Ways to Object to Disclosure of Student Data
- Notice of Disclosure of Student Records

