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March 30, 2015

***VIA EMAIL [jcowherd@fulton58.org](mailto:jcowherd@fulton58.org)  
& U.S. MAIL***

Dr. Jacque Cowherd  
Superintendent  
Fulton School District  
2 Hornet Drive  
Fulton, MO 65251-2731

***Re: Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment***

Dear Dr. Cowherd:

This letter will confirm that on the morning of Monday, March 30, 2015, I spoke with an official at the Family Policy Compliance Office at the United States Department of Education in Washington, D.C., to discuss the process by which the school district could self-report the district's non-compliance with the notice and opt-out provisions of the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment. Following that initial conversation, I also left a message on the Family Policy Compliance Office extension designated for school attorneys and school officials requesting that I receive a return call for the purpose of discussing further the content of the self-report. As of the time and date this letter is sent, I have not received a return call.

After the telephone conference with the first official and leaving a message for the second official, I submitted directly to Mr. Dale King, the Director of the Family Policy Compliance Office, the school district's written report of its non-compliance with the PPRA. The report informed the FPCO that a class activity used at the middle school addressed subjects and instructional methods covered by the PPRA. Therefore, parents should have received prior notice of the activity, an opportunity to review the materials to be used, and notice of the right to opt-out. However, this did not occur.

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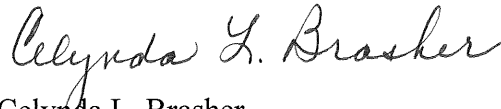
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The self-report advised the FPCO that the district had already issued a public apology. The report further stated that action had been taken and is ongoing to ensure that the district will be in strict compliance with the PPRA going forward. That action includes, but is not limited to, providing immediate and continuing training regarding state and federal student privacy law, particularly the PPRA, FERPA, and state confidentiality requirements. This training will be mandatory for all administrators, faculty, and relevant staff, and will be repeated annually and at other appropriate times during the school year.

Finally, the report expressed the district's deep regret regarding the incident, and provided assurance that the district would take such additional measures as the Family Policy Compliance Office might deem appropriate.

Sincerely,



Celynda L. Brasher

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