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Attention All CCCS Parents / Guardians

In 2012, a group of parents filed a lawsuit against the California Department of Education (CDE) claiming, in part, that the CDE failed to appropriately oversee local school districts and their compliance with special education and Section 504. As part of that lawsuit, the CDE has been ordered by the court to provide documents that include personally identifiable information for the following 3 groups of students:

- 1. Students (including infants) with disabilities
- 2. Children who requested an assessment or who were assessed for special education eligibility
- 3. Students who are attending or attended a California school at any time since January 1, 2008

Examples of information stored on CDE's databases includes **names**, **social security numbers**, **home addresses**, demographics, statewide assessment results, special education assessment plans, teacher demographics, program information, behavior and discipline information, special education assessment plans and evaluations, Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), records pertaining to health and medical information, student statewide identifiers (SSID) and results on state tests.

While the Court issued a Protective Order that prevents any party from disclosing to the public confidential information acquired in the course of the lawsuit outside the context of this lawsuit, the above information will be released to the Plaintiffs in this lawsuit (Morgan Hill Concerned Parents Association and Concerned Parent Association), their attorneys and consultants, and the Court. You can obtain the full lawsuit document and Courts ruling at:

Morgan Hill Concerned Parents Association, et at v. California Department of Education, USDC-Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:11-cv-03471-KJM-AC

Parent/Guardian Right to Object to the disclosure of your child's protected personal information and records.

If you object to the disclosure of your information and your child's personal information and records, you must notify the Court by **April 1, 2016**. Complete the attached form *OBJECTION TO DISLOSURE OF STUDENT INFORMATION AND RECORDS* and return it via regular mail to the address at the bottom of that form.

USE ONE FORM PER CHILD – the form must be received by the court by April 1, 2016 to be valid.