



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL STUDENT DATA**

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**Dear Parents and Guardians:**

A recent order in a lawsuit against the California Department of Education (CDE) is impacting all schools across the state, including Lashon Academy.

In April 2012, two organizations, the Morgan Hill Concerned Parents Association and the Concerned Parent Association, filed a lawsuit against the CDE alleging widespread, systemic non-compliance by local education agencies with special education laws. The suit also alleges the CDE fails to monitor, investigate, and correct such non-compliance in accordance with the law. The CDE denies these allegations and is actively defending the litigation.

Our school was not involved in the lawsuit and is not the subject of any of the suit's allegations.

Nonetheless, as part of this lawsuit, CDE has been ordered by the court to release all data it has collected on general and special education students since January 1, 2008.

For more information regarding the release of this data and how you can file an objection with the court to consider not releasing your data or your student's data, visit:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/ws/morganhillcase.asp>

You may also contact the CDE at 916-319-0800.

Sincerely,

Lashon Academy