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Dear NLSD122 Families,

The security and privacy of our students' and staff's information are top priorities for NLSD122. On January 7, 2025, PowerSchool, our district's Student Information System provider, informed us that we were among its clients affected by a cybersecurity incident. PowerSchool discovered this incident on December 28, 2024.

Incident Overview

PowerSchool reported that a compromised support credential allowed unauthorized access to data stored in its Student Information Systems (SISs) worldwide. Upon discovery, PowerSchool secured the unauthorized activity, notified law enforcement, and enlisted cybersecurity experts. They have stated that the compromised data has been deleted and no additional copies exist.

Potential Impact

We are working with PowerSchool to determine what NLSD122 data was affected by this event. Social security numbers were not accessed, as NLSD122 does not store any social security numbers in PowerSchool.

Next Steps

NLSD122 is working with third-party specialists to investigate and respond to the PowerSchool event. We are also consulting with Illinois state resources to ensure compliance with relevant privacy laws.

Questions and Support

Individuals whose personal information is determined to be impacted will receive notification in accordance with applicable law. If you have immediate concerns, please contact our Director of Technology, Andy White, at <u>awhite@nlsd122.org</u>.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate this situation.

Sincerely,

Lori R. Motsch, Ed.D Superintendent

Andy White Director of Technology