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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As you know, our school district is dedicated to providing all students with the educational foundation necessary to succeed in school and in life. To ensure your child's success, we have set high standards that are reflected in what is taught in our classrooms.

The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) requires that adequate yearly progress (AYP) be measured annually for each school in New Jersey. AYP is based primarily on the results of the New Jersey state assessment given to students in grades 3 through 8 and grade 11. In order to make AYP, schools must meet the state's academic proficiency benchmarks for individual subgroups along with other indicators such as test participation and attendance. If a school does not make AYP for two or more consecutive years in the same content area (language arts literacy and mathematics), it is designated as a "School in Need of Improvement."

We have been identified as a "School in Need of Improvement" by the New Jersey Department of Education based on the new AYP status. As a result, we must provide the supplemental services described below to qualifying students, those receiving free or reduced lunch. These services are over and above those ordinarily provided in the regular classroom during the normal school day. Parents who are interested in this provision must choose from the list of state-approved providers posted on the New Jersey Department of Education Website at www.state.nj.us/education/title1/program/ss/providers/apprv-1011/.

If you would like your child to be considered for supplemental educational services, please notify me as soon as possible so we can begin arrangements for these services. You will be contacted to discuss the specifics of your request. If you do not wish to enroll your child in supplemental educational services, no action on your part is required.

We want to serve your child, and we'll use all the resources available to us to help our students achieve. In addition, we encourage parental involvement in staying active in our district and school-parent activities. Please contact me for information regarding supplemental educational services.

We disagree with the classification given to us by the state and are reviewing their findings. Our research shows that this label is based on test scores for a small population of our students.

Sincerely,

Scott D. Ripley

Director, Curriculum & Instruction

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