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Dear MRPS Community,

We are writing to provide an update regarding the cybersecurity issue involving PowerSchool's PowerSource portal, which we informed you about yesterday. PowerSchool is the company we, like many other school districts across the nation, use for our student information system.

PowerSchool has confirmed that the incident involved unauthorized access to some student and teacher data, primarily contact information. Importantly, our District does not store Social Security Numbers in our system, so this is not a concern for MRPS families or educators.

PowerSchool has taken significant steps to secure their systems, including deactivating compromised credentials, implementing tighter access controls, and immediately providing identity protection services where needed. We will learn more about potential credit monitoring opportunities in the coming days and weeks.

PowerSchool is reporting that the incident is contained and that there is no evidence of further unauthorized activity.

Internally, MRPS has taken steps to confirm our own cybersecurity practices to ensure the safety of our systems and data. We are actively working with PowerSchool as they continue to implement security upgrades and investigate the situation.

We remain committed to keeping you informed. PowerSchool plans to send additional communications in the coming weeks. We will make sure to get those out in a timely manner.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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