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PARENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS FOR DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY

The Marathon Central School District is committed to protecting the privacy and security of student, teacher, and principal data. In accordance with New York Education Law § 2-d, the District wishes to inform the school community of the following:

1) A student's personally identifiable information (PII) cannot be sold or released for any commercial or marketing purposes.

2) Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child's education record including any student data stored or maintained by the district. This right of inspection is consistent with the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). In addition to the right of inspection of the educational record, Education Law 2-d provides a specific right for parents to inspect or receive copies of any data in the student’s educational record. NYSED will develop policies and procedures pertaining to this right come time in the future.

3) State and federal laws protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information, and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices, including but not limited to, encryption, firewalls, and password protection, must be in place when data is stored or transferred.

4) A complete list of all student data elements collected by the State is available for public review at: http://www.p12.nysed.gov/irs/sirs/documentation/NYSEDstudentData.xlsx, or by writing to the Office of Information & Reporting Services, New York State Education Department, Room 863 EBA, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12234.

5) Parents have the right to have complaints about possible breaches of student data addressed. Complaints should be directed in writing to the Data Privacy Officer, 1 Park Street, Marathon, NY 13803. The DPO will promptly acknowledge the receipt of the complaint, commence an investigation and take the necessary precautions to protect personally identifiable information. Following the investigation, the DPO shall provide the complainant with their findings within a reasonable period no longer than 60 calendar days from the receipt of the complaint.
APPENDIX

Supplemental Information Regarding Third-Party Contractors

In the course of complying with its obligations under the law and providing educational services to District residents, the Marathon Central School District has entered into agreements with certain third-party contractors. Pursuant to such agreements, third-party contractors may have access to "student data" and/or "teacher or principal data," as those terms are defined by law.

Each contract the District enters into with a third party contractor where the third party contractor receives student data or teacher or principal data will include the following information:

1) The exclusive purposes for which the student data or teacher or principal data will be used;

2) How the third party contractor will ensure that the subcontractors, persons or entities that the third party contractor will share the student data or teacher or principal data with, if any, will abide by data protection and security requirements;

3) The length of the agreement, when the agreement expires and what happens to the student data or teacher or principal data upon expiration of the agreement;

4) If and how a parent, student, eligible student, teacher or principal may challenge the accuracy of the student data or teacher or principal data that is collected; and

5) Where the student data or teacher or principal data will be stored (described in such a manner as to protect data security), and the security protections taken to ensure such data will be protected.

6) Use encryption to protect personally identifiable information in its custody while in motion or at rest.