PARENTS’ BILL OF RIGHTS

1. A student’s personally identifiable information cannot be sold or released for any commercial purposes.

2. Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child’s education record.

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 addressed regarding possible breaches of student data. Complaints should be directed to the Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Technology, 10 Cherry Ave., Bethpage, NY 1174 or 516-644-4005 or with NYSED. Complaints to NYSED should be directed in writing to the Chief Privacy Officer, New York State Education Department, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12234 or by e-mail to CPO@mail.nysed.gov.

When the District contracts with a third party contractor who receives student, teacher or principal data, as defined by NY Education Law §2, the contract shall include the following “supplemental 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. 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, including whether such data will be encrypted. Parents/guardians are also directed to NYSED’s "Parents' Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security" available at: www.p12.nysed.gov/docs/parents-bill-of-rights.pdf

References: Education Law §2
NYSED “Parents Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security”