



IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Each year, every school district in Kansas is required to report student data by race and ethnicity categories set by the federal government to the Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE). Though the KSDE does not report individual student data to the federal government, the total number of students in various categories of each school is reported. These reports help keep track of changes in student enrollments and ensure that all students receive the educational programs and services to which they are entitled.

Recently, the federal government adjusted the student data reporting categories. With the new reporting categories, you will need to update your child's data. Starting with the 2009-2010 school year, all schools in Kansas will report student data to the Kansas State Department of Education using the new categories.

Please update your child's student data, by completing the form and returning it by May 1, 2009. If we do not receive a response from you, an employee of the district will be required to provide this information based on observation. (Note that federal regulations do not permit districts to leave the space blank.)

For more information about the data reporting categories, please visit the Race/Ethnicity Regulations page at the KSDE website under News/Publications. The URL address is as follows:

<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=3370>

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: