UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF PLANNING, EVALUATION AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Mr. John P. Welch
Superintendent
Highline Public Schools
15675 Ambaum Boulevard, SW
Burien, Washington 98166

SEP 15 2010

Complaint No. (b)(6)
Family Educational Rights
and Privacy Act

Dear Mr. Welch:

This is to inform you that we are closing the investigation of this complaint against the Highline Public Schools (District) by (b)(6) (Parent). The Parent alleged that the District violated the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

By letter dated March 16, 2010, this Office informed you that the District violated FERPA when it disclosed personally identifiable information from the education records of the Parent's son to a third party without the Parent's prior written consent. In that letter, we informed you that this office would close the investigation of this complaint upon receipt of evidence and assurance that the District had informed appropriate officials of the requirements of FERPA as it relates to the matters in this complaint. You provided us such assurance by letter dated April 2, 2010. Accordingly, we are closing the investigation of this complaint and will so inform the Parent by copy of this letter.

Sincerely,
(b)(6)

Ellen Campbell
Director
Family Policy Compliance Office

cc: Parent