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Dear Parent or Guardian:

You play a critical role in your child's educational and social growth. To help you maintain a strong school connection amidst the demands of today's high pressure society, the Watervliet School District has implemented a web-based communication tool which allows you access to your student's academic profiles via the internet anytime, anywhere.

What information will I have access to?

The district is using the eSchoolPortal for grades K-12. Parents will have access to student schedules, report cards, transcripts (WHS only), progress reports (WHS only), and teachers' grade books (WHS only).

How much will it cost for me to use the system?

There is no cost for you to utilize this system. The district utilizes a product called eSchoolData as its official student management system. One of the reasons the district opted for the eSchoolData student management system was because there are numerous modules (such as the eSchoolPortal) that are available to the district at no additional cost. This type of flexibility allows us to provide maximum benefit for your tax dollars.

What is the district doing to protect my children's privacy?

Your children's privacy is extremely important to us; as such, the district has elected not to send user names and passwords via US mail. Instead, passwords will only be issued after your application has been thoroughly reviewed by district personnel. If the information you've supplied to us online does not match the information we have on file, your application will be denied, and you will be notified. Once your application has been approved your account will remain active as long as you have children attending the Watervliet School District.



What about security?

The eSchoolPortal utilizes 128-bit encryption and is hosted in a secure Network Operation Center which is professionally monitored around the clock. The eSchoolPortal represents a snapshot of data that is contained in the district's "live" student information system; therefore, even in the unlikely event that the system was compromised, permanent records could not be altered in any way.

How can I apply for eSchoolPortal:

You can apply for the eSchoolPortal account online by visiting <http://www.vliet.neric.org> and clicking on the Parent Portal button.

You will need to have the following information handy for each student:

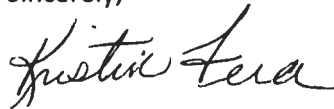
**Student's Name Students ID Number Student Grade Level
School**

Note: Please be sure to enter the complete nine-digit student ID number. This information is located on student report cards and/or interim reports or available from your child's teacher.

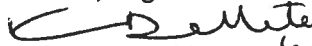
If you have any questions regarding this new tool, please contact Mrs. Kristin Fera at kfera@vliet.neric.org or 629-3204 or Ms. Kirsten DeMento at kdemento@vliet.neric.org or 629-3231.

We hope this on-line communication tool helps keep you informed of your student's progress.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Kristin Fera, Registrar



Ms. Kirsten DeMento, Director of Curriculum and Instruction