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Dear [REDACTED] :

I am General Counsel for the Brittan Elementary School District. Due to the escalating conflict between you and the District, I have been asked to communicate with you on issues pertaining to the conflict involving your child's participation in the current test of the RFID automatic attendance system. In particular, this letter is an initial response to your recent written complaint.

As a whole, the community supports the District's efforts to not only make the taking of attendance more efficient - thereby protecting the District from audits as well as reclaiming teacher time that can be used for class room instruction - but also improving school safety. A few parents, like you, have indicated that they will instruct their children not to participate in the study.

The District understands your concerns and wants to work with you to address them. For example, it may be possible to remove the copper element from the badge during the test of the system, thereby alleviating your concerns about "tracking."

There are other possible ways to address your concerns. However, the Board has instructed the District administration to conduct the test, and the District administration cannot ignore this directive until the Board provides new instructions. Your complaint will be considered by the District Board of Trustees in a special closed session that will take place at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, February 8, 2005, at the District Office. Your complaint will be considered at 7:30 PM. You are invited to attend. You are welcomed to bring an attorney if you wish. We ask at the bare minimum that you allow your student to continue participating in the test at least until then. If not, please understand that the failure to follow the school rules governing the test could lead to your child being disciplined.

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I hope that you will allow us to work with you to address your concerns. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, comments or concerns. I look forward to meeting you at the pending special board meeting on February 8, 2005.

Sincerely

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