CIRCLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Important Class Notice Regarding Settlement Agreement

Subject: State of Montana Required Class Notice Regarding Settlement Agreement

Dear Student, Parent, or Legal Guardian,

Each school district in the state of Montana is required to send the following information to students, parents, and guardians. This information is not from nor specific to the Circle School District.

“A Montana Court has authorized distribution of the Class Notice to all students and their parents or legal guardians to inform you of settlement agreement reached between the Montana Office of Public Instruction and the ACLU of Montana to resolve class action litigation.

Please review the Class Notice and settlement agreement carefully. The documents can be found on the Circle Schools website at www.circleschools.org. The Class Notice is at https://www.circleschools.org/uploads/8/5/7/3/85737154/class_action.pdf and the settlement agreement can be found at https://www.circleschools.org/uploads/8/5/7/3/85737154/settlement_agreement.pdf.

The Class Notice contains important information about the litigation, settlement, and any rights or options available to class members. The settlement agreement is attached so you may review its full terms. If you have questions about the Class Notice or the settlement agreement, please refer to the contact information provided in the attached Class Notice. Please do not contact the district or schools regarding the Class Notice or the settlement agreement.”

Because this notice and settlement are not specific to the Circle School District, questions regarding their content should be directed to the contacts identified in the Class Notice rather than to district or school staff.

Circle School District is sharing this information solely to fulfill the statewide distribution requirement. The language and attachments were provided to Montana school districts for distribution and were not developed by the Circle School District. If you have additional questions regarding this information, we encourage you to contact Alex Rate at ratea@aclumontana.org. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Circle Public Schools