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Dear Parents/Guardians/Eligible Students,

This letter is to inform you of a data security incident, believed to have occurred in or around November 2018, involving the unauthorized access of Personally Identifiable Information from the AIMSweb 1.0 system. AIMSweb is an assessment platform utilized by the Solvay Union Free School District and provided by Pearson Clinical Assessment (Pearson). Due to the Central New York Regional Information Center (CNYRIC) being the contract holder, Pearson did not accurately respond to independent district inquiries regarding this data security incident and separately released the data to CNYRIC on August 26, 2019. The District was informed by CNYRIC of this incident on August 28, 2019.

The following data about your student(s)/you that was potentially affected was limited to:

First Name, Last Name and Date of Birth

Please know that Solvay Union Free School District is committed to protecting and securing educational data. Our team has extensive training in data security and privacy, and our systems have many controls in place to protect your child's educational records. Additionally, we have also received assurances that Pearson has taken the necessary steps to mitigate the incident and is enhancing protections to guard against similar events.

While it is our understanding that there is no evidence that the information described above has been misused, Pearson is offering complimentary credit monitoring from Experian for one year for affected individuals as a precautionary measure. If you are interested in learning more about this option, please call Experian at 866-883-3309.

Please contact me at 315-468-1111 with any questions you may have regarding this incident and our response.

Sincerely,



Jay Tinklepaugh  
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