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Newport Board of Education
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Madame Chairman and Members of the Board:

In accordance with 702 KAR 1:170, I am acknowledging to the board that the Data Breach and Security Best Practice Guide has been reviewed and we continue to implement security best practices to secure personal information security across our network and systems for the 2022-23 school year. We are required to provide this acknowledgement by August 31 of each year.

This year we will add Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA), among other pieces, as all districts in the state work on a new baseline security project. We already meet or exceed the baseline criteria in many areas, including our password requirements and conditional access rules to deter unauthorized access attempts from outside the country, where the majority of all attacks originate. These new pieces will further strengthen our district's resistance to potential data security or privacy breaches.

Additionally, we continue to educate all incoming employees on data security and privacy practices, as well as providing reminders and updates to all staff throughout the year. Heightening user awareness and instilling use of best practices is a key factor in protecting district data.

Please contact me with any questions regarding our data security practices and responsibilities.

Thank you,

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