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Dear Parent/Guardians:

This is to inform you that under the guidelines of the No Child Left Behind Act, Mary Miller Junior High is in Federal School Improvement status for the current school year and must offer Public School Choice. This is due to the fact that the overall performance of students at Mary Miller Junior High did not meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) on the ISAT exam for two consecutive years. The goal needed to attain AYP in 2009 was 70% and the goal for 2010 was 77.5% in each area. Our 2010 scores were 69.2% in Reading and 70.6% in Math. School Report Cards and AYP status information is available on the Mary Miller Junior High web-site.

To be removed from the State's School Improvement Status, Mary Miller Junior High must meet or exceed standards in all subject areas and in all groups tested for two consecutive years. The goal to meet AYP for 2011 will be 85% and in 2012, 92.5%.

The No Child Left Behind Act provides parents with the option to transfer their child to another school within the district with transportation provided by the district. However, at this time we do not have a school to which your child can transfer. Pursuant to our obligations under NCLB, since we cannot offer choice, we are preparing to offer Supplemental Education Services (SES). Further information will be forthcoming soon.

Our school has worked to improve the academic programs at Mary Miller Junior High by: increasing instructional time, implementing interventions for students, working to align the curriculum, writing a school improvement plan with specific plans of action, providing professional development for staff members and investing in an assessment program designed to help increase scores.

Please feel free to contact Lisa L. Gocken, Mary Miller Junior High Principal at the phone number listed above if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Gregory A. Irwin, Superintendent Georgetown-Ridge Farm CUSD # 4