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Via Email
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I am writing in response to your letter dated September 16, 2025 to Dorchester School District Two on behalf of Ms. Jamey Cronemeyer.

Although this letter does not specify which records are being requested, based on prior communications, the District understands this request to be in regard to common assessments administered during a previous math course. Accordingly, that is the category of records addressed below.

Pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, and its implementing regulations at 34 C.F.R. Part 99, as well as Board Policy JRA-R, parents have the right to inspect and review their student's education records maintained by the school. In accordance with this federal law and applicable District policy, Ms. Cronemeyer was previously provided with copies of all teacher-made classroom assessments administered to her student. She was also offered the opportunity to meet with the teacher and school administration to review the content and scoring methodology used in those assessments.

In addition, she was provided the opportunity to inspect and review one of the district-made common assessments. It is relevant to note that the use of common assessment in this context is in reference to a formative assessment which is created at the district level to ensure that students, in all schools within the district, are receiving instruction in alignment with state standards. Common assessments are intended for repeated use over multiple years, as they are created by teachers and content specialists and take many hours to produce a single test. Given the time and resources necessary to create this assessment and to preserve the integrity and continued utility of this evaluation measure, it is the District's practice not to distribute physical copies of such assessments. However, consistent with FERPA's provisions, parents are permitted to inspect and review these materials, including their student's individual responses, at the school site (34 C.F.R. § 99.10).

To date, Ms. Cronemeyer has not submitted any additional requests to inspect and review further common assessments. The District remains willing to facilitate additional review sessions should she choose to make such a request in the future.

In addition, while not specific to records request under FERPA, the District would like to clarify that the student was also provided additional support in the form of no-cost academic assistance during Independent Learning Time each day at school and was provided the opportunity to make test corrections to increase her score.

The District believes that it has fulfilled its obligations under FERPA and considers this matter resolved. Should Ms. Cronemeyer wish to exercise her FERPA rights further, she is welcome to submit a written request identifying the specific records she seeks to inspect or review.

Sincerely,

/s/
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Jamey Cronemeyer, Parent