

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
HATTIESBURG DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PLAINTIFF

VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:66cv2148

THE COVINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

DEFENDANT

**COVINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT'S
JULY 2013 REPORT TO COURT**

Defendant Covington County School District (the "District") files this report to the Court in compliance with the Consent Decree of March 8, 2006, as amended by the Supplemental Consent Order of February 3, 2009 as follows:

Pursuant to the Consent Decree of March 8, 2006, as amended by the Supplemental Consent Order of February 3, 2009, the District is providing the United States with copies of the documents listed below. Exhibits D, E, and F are not filed with the Court because they contain confidential student information, but these exhibits are provided to the United States.

1. Memo dated April 17, 2013 from Superintendent to principals attaching copy of letter to parents dated April 17, 2013 re the M-to-M policy, parents' request form, and statement for principal to complete. Exhibit "A" to Report.
2. Statements from principals of all schools certifying they sent the M-to-M information to parents. Exhibit "B" to Report.
3. Copy of Proof of Publication of the M-to-M policy on April 17 and 24, 2013, in *The News-Commercial*. Exhibit "C" to Report.
4. List of all requests for majority-to-minority (M-to-M) transfers for school year 2013-2014. Exhibit "D" to Report.

5. List of all student transfer requests (except for M-to-M requests, which have been previously reported) for the school year 2012-2013, showing name, race, sending school or district, receiving school or district, reason for request, and whether the request was granted or denied. Exhibit "E" to Report.
6. List of student transfer requests (except for M-to-M requests) for school year 2013-14, showing race, sending school or district, receiving school or district, reasons for requests, and whether the request was granted or denied. Exhibit "F" to Report.

This the 22nd day of July, 2013.

COVINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: s/ Holmes S. Adams
Its Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I served copies of the above document to counsel of record by electronic service through the court's electronic filing system and/or Federal Express overnight delivery to:

Ms. Kathleen Devine
Special Legal Counsel
United States Department of Justice
Civil Rights Division, EOS
601 D Street, NW
Patrick Henry Building, Room 4300
Washington, D.C. 20004

This the 22nd day of July, 2013.

s/ Holmes S. Adams

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To: Principals
From: Clay Anglin
Re: Majority to Minority Parent Letters
Date: April 17, 2013

A copy of the Majority to Minority Parent Letter is enclosed. Each letter has an application on the back of it. The letters must go out before May 1st. **Please be sure that each student receives a copy to carry home.** It would also be a good idea to make extra copies of the application for transfer to keep in your office.

Also, please fill out the Verification of Service form that is attached and send it to Linda Nelson.

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To: Parents of Covington County School District Students
From: James Clay Anglin, Superintendent of Education
Re: **Majority to Minority Transfers**
Date: April 17, 2013

Pursuant to orders in its federal desegregation case, the Covington County School District allows a student, either black or white, who attends a school in which his or her race is in the majority to choose another school where his or her race is in the minority. The district will provide bus transportation.

If you are interested in a majority to minority ("M-to-M") transfer for your student, you must submit an application to the Covington County School District Central Office by June 1, 2013.

Listed below are the steps to follow when making application for an M-to-M transfer:

1. Complete an application for an M-to-M transfer for each student. An application is attached to this memo. If you need additional applications, you may pick them up at Central Office at 1211 South Dogwood, Collins, Mississippi, or at any school in the district.
2. Mail the completed application to the Covington County Schools, P. O. Box 1269, Collins, Mississippi 39428 or bring it to Central Office.
3. Your application must be received at Central Office by June 1, 2013 or the application will be denied.

The district will contact you by June 15, 2013, if your application is granted. There will be no need to complete another transfer request for future years. Your child will be enrolled at the school to which he or she transfers.

Concerning Sports and Extracurricular Activities

According to Mississippi High School Activities Association (MHSAA) Guidelines, a student may or may not be eligible for participation based on the grade he/she is in. If a student has attended school for one day or more in the 9th grade or above and if the residence has not changed, he/she would be ineligible to participate in activities for one full year. If a student is going to enter the 9th grade or below, he/she would be eligible to participate in activities.

If your child transfers to a school for the 2013-2014 school year, **he or she must attend that school for the entire 2013-2014 school year.** If you wish to opt out of the M-to-M program, you may choose to do so for school year 2014-2015.

If you have any questions, call Covington County School District Central Office at 601-765-8247.

REQUEST FOR MAJORITY TO MINORITY TRANSFER

COVINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

P. O. BOX 1269

1211 SOUTH DOGWOOD

COLLINS, MISSISSIPPI 39428

Name of parent(s) or guardian making request (please print):

Physical Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Name of student for whom transfer is requested: _____

School student currently attends: _____

School to which transfer is requested: _____

Age of student: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Grade of student for 2012-2013: _____

Grade of student for 2013-2014: _____

Race of student: _____

I am applying for a majority to minority transfer for the above named student. I understand that this request must be received at the Central Office of the Covington County School District by June 1, 2013, or it will be denied. I understand that if my student transfers to another school for 2013-2014, he or she must remain at that school for the entire school year, unless my student meets the provisions of the district transfer policy or qualifies for a hardship case. I understand that the district will provide bus transportation. I also understand that there are rules (MHSAA) affecting a student transferring, concerning playing sports. I received a copy of the letter stating this.

Signature parent(s) / guardian: _____

Mail or deliver this request to the Central Office of the Covington County School District, so that it is received on or before June 1, 2013.

Date received by district personnel: _____ Verified by: _____

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VERIFICATION OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the Majority to Minority Transfer Memo was given to students to carry home to parents.

School _____

Principal _____

Date memos were sent home _____

Today's Date _____

Principal's Signature _____

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School Collins Elementary School

Principal LaShona Myers

Date memos were sent home 4/18/13

Today's Date 4/18/13

Principal's Signature LaShona Myers

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School Carver Middle School

Principal Chad Little

Date memos were sent home 4/19/13

Today's Date 4/19/13

Principal's Signature Chad Little

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School Collins High School

Principal Bryan M. Hoda

Date memos were sent home April 19, 2013

Today's Date April 19, 2013

Principal's Signature Bryan M. Hoda

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School Hopewell Elementary

Principal Mr. Dexter Jordan

Date memos were sent home 4/23/13

Today's Date 4/23/13

Principal's Signature 

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School mt. Olive Elementary

Principal Rena Hilton

Date memos were sent home 4-22-13

Today's Date April 22, 2013

Principal's Signature Rena Hilton

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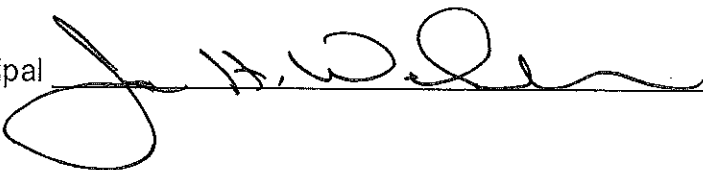
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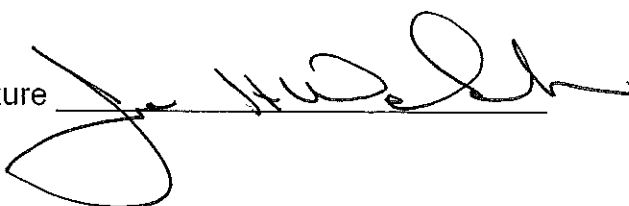
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School Mt. Olive High

Principal 

Date memos were sent home 4-18-13

Today's Date 4-18-13

Principal's Signature 

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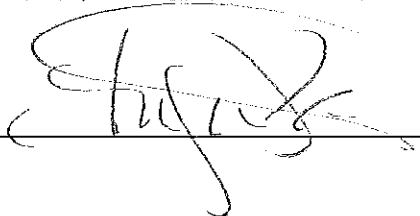
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School Seminole Elementary

Principal Theresa Palmer

Date memos were sent home 4-29-13

Today's Date 4-29-13

Principal's Signature 

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School Seminary Middle

Principal [Signature]

Date memos were sent home 4/23/13

Today's Date 4/23/13

Principal's Signature [Signature]

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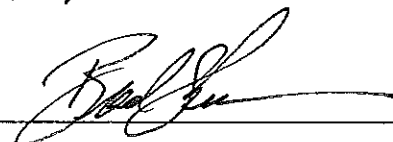
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School SEMINARY HIGH SCHOOL

Principal BRAD SKED

Date memos were sent home 4/22/13

Today's Date 4/25/13

Principal's Signature 

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School Covington County Alternative

Principal JAKE B. KYZAR

Date memos were sent home 4-22-13

Today's Date 4-22-13

Principal's Signature Jake B. Kyzar

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School Cov. Co. Ho Tech

Principal Cecil Esterling

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Today's Date 4-22-13

Principal's Signature Cecil Esterling

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Publication Dates: April 17, 2013 and April 24, 2013

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COVINGTON COUNTY

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said County and State, **Analyn Arrington Goff**, Publisher of THE NEWS-COMMERCIAL, a newspaper published in Collins, said County, who being duly sworn, says the publication of a certain notice, a true copy of which is hereto attached, was made in said paper on the hereinafter dates, as follows, to-wit:

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Vol. 111 No. 41 Dated April 24, 2013

Vol. _____ No. _____ Dated _____

Vol. _____ No. _____ Dated _____

Analyn A. Goff

Publisher

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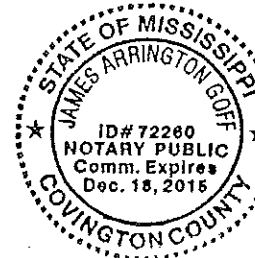
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