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Dear Former Student:

Your former high school will soon be calling you to ask you questions about where you are living, where you are working, and if you are going to college or a vocational school. This survey is a part of a statewide study that is required by federal law, specifically 20 U.S.C. 1416(a) (3)(B).

There is a law called the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) that protects the privacy of your school records. This law generally prevents your former school from giving out information about you without your permission, except for certain reasons.

This study is one of those reasons. Because this study is required by law, your former school can use information from your school without your permission, or your parent's permission if you are younger than 18. All your answers will be kept private. All persons involved with this study will also keep your answers private.

We hope you choose to participate in this important study. Your answers, along with those of other students, will be used to improve ways we help prepare students for adult life. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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