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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am requesting that you kindly review, sign and return the enclosed Parental Consent form for district compliance with the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI).

In an effort to reduce the cost of special education and related services, the State of New Jersey, through the SEMI program, mandates that school districts seek reimbursement of IEP services through Medicaid for all eligible students. Our service providers and child study team members log in meetings and services and the federal government reimburses the district. The State expects each school district to receive parental consent to seek reimbursement for all classified students, whether or not the child is Medicaid eligible. The district is required to be compliant with this initiative by receiving full parental consent.

I have included the Medicaid Annual Notification sheet that explains the program and your rights. There is no cost to parents. If your child is Medicaid eligible, the reimbursements do not apply toward a limit or cap on Medicaid services. If your child is not Medicaid eligible, your consent is only used to determine district compliance with this initiative.

Please return your completed consent form to the Office of Special Services. You can scan and email to the attention of Adele Rackley at arackley@metboe.k12.nj.us. If you have any questions, you can call your child's Case Manager or you can contact me at 732-321-8700, ext 1006.

Respectfully,



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