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RE: CORA Request received via email on Feb. 18, 2019

Dear Ms. Brown and Mr. Osher

This letter shall respond to your Colorado Open Records Act requests sent via email and received by the District on Feb. 18, 2019. Our response to your request is below:

- The number of student risk assessments performed per school, per year going back to the year when student risk assessments began in Mesa County.
- The outcome of the risk assessments, in terms of whether the student was expelled, suspended, disciplined, referred to counseling in the community, etc.

As a follow-up email, you clarified your request:

- Let's just go with the aggregate data on threat assessments, and separately, aggregate data (numbers only) on suicide risk assessments.

Response: Our risk assessments are divided into the two categories of threat assessments and suicide assessments. We provided threat and suicide assessment numbers broken down by Elementary, Middle, and High School.

To the extent the District has any records of student risk assessments, they would constitute education records of individual students. The District is obligated to deny the right of inspection with regard to such records pursuant to the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. §1232g, and pursuant to sections 24-72-204(1)(b) and (3)(d)(III), C.R.S.

If you have any questions regarding the foregoing response, please contact me directly at 254-5152.

Sincerely,

Charles Delano  
Director of Communications  
Mesa County Valley School District 51

Attach: Risk-Assessments.docx