



BUHL JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 412

920 Main Street

Buhl, Idaho 83316

Angie Oparnico, Superintendent

Friday, January 10, 2025

Attorney General's Office
Consumer Protection Division
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0010

Re: PowerSchool Cybersecurity Incident

Dear Office of the Attorney General:

I am writing to notify you that Buhl School District #412 has experienced a data breach that resulted in some student and teacher personal information from our student information system (SIS) being compromised.

On Tuesday, January 7th, our IT department was notified by PowerSchool, our SIS provider, "that an unauthorized party gained access to certain PowerSchool Student Information System ("SIS") customer data using a compromised credential, and we regret to inform you that your data was accessed." Following this notification, our IT staff reviewed data access logs and found that this party had accessed data from two tables in our SIS, the Student table and the Teacher table.

On Wednesday, January 8th, we received a more in depth briefing from PowerSchool cyber security officials. In that briefing, they confirmed that only data from those two tables had been taken from affected school districts across the country and globe. They further stated that they had engaged the firms CyberSteward and CrowdStrike to investigate and respond to the cybersecurity attack. That response included engaging with the party who breached their system and negotiating an agreement through which the party destroyed the stolen data.

On the afternoon of January 10th, we notified our current employees and student families of the data breach by sending a statement to them via email and text message.

Sincerely,

Angie Oparnico, Ed.S.
Superintendent
Buhl School District #412

