





Dear

I am writing with important information regarding a recent data security incident at Perth Amboy School District ("Perth Amboy"). The privacy and security of the personal information we maintain is of the utmost importance to Perth Amboy. We wanted to provide you with information about the incident, explain the services we are making available to you, and let you know that we continue to take significant measures to protect your information.

What Happened?

As a result of a phishing incident, an unauthorized party obtained access to a limited number of Perth Amboy employees' email accounts.

What We Are Doing.

Upon learning of the issue, we secured the accounts and commenced a prompt and thorough investigation. As part of our investigation, we have worked very closely with external cybersecurity professionals. After an extensive forensic investigation and manual email review, we determined on November 11, 2020 that the impacted email accounts, which were accessed between April 15, 2020 and June 17, 2020, contained some of your personal information. We have no evidence that your information has been misused. Nevertheless, out of an abundance of caution, we want to make you aware of the incident.

What Information Was Involved?

The email account(s) that were accessed contained some of your personal information, specifically your

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What You Can Do.

To protect you from any potential misuse of your information, and to demonstrate our commitment to the protection of your information, we are offering you a complimentary one-year membership of Experian's® IdentityWorksSM at no cost to you. This product provides you with superior identity detection and resolution of identity theft. For more information on identity theft prevention and IdentityWorks, including instructions on how to activate your complimentary one-year membership, please see the additional information provided in this letter.

Also provided in "Other Important Information" are other precautionary measures you can take to protect your personal information, including placing a Fraud Alert and/or Security Freeze on your credit files, and/or obtaining a free credit report. Additionally, you should always remain vigilant in reviewing your financial account statements and credit reports for fraudulent or irregular activity on a regular basis.

For More Information.

We regret any inconvenience that this may cause you. We are committed to maintaining the privacy of personal information in our possession and have taken many precautions to safeguard it. We continually evaluate and modify our practices and internal controls to secure personal information. Since this incident, we have implemented multi-factor authentication on our email.

If you have any further questions regarding this incident, please call our dedicated and confidential toll-free response line that we have set up to respond to questions at This response line is staffed with professionals familiar with this incident and knowledgeable on what you can do to protect against misuse of your information. The response line is available Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Central Time, excluding major U.S. holidays.

Sincerely,

Perth Amboy School District

- OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION -

1. Enrolling in Complimentary 12-Month Credit Monitoring.

Activate IdentityWorks Credit 3B Now in Three Easy Steps

1.	ENROLL by:	(Your code will not work after this date.)	
2.	VISIT the Experian IdentityWorks website to enroll:		
3.	PROVIDE the Activation Code :		
in Expe	erian IdentityWorks online, please contact ment number	as proof of eligibility for the identity restoration services by	

ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING YOUR 12-MONTH EXPERIAN IDENTITYWORKS CREDIT 3B MEMBERSHIP:

A credit card is **not** required for enrollment in Experian IdentityWorks Credit 3B.

You can contact Experian **immediately without needing to enroll in the product** regarding any fraud issues. Identity Restoration specialists are available to help you address credit and non-credit related fraud.

Once you enroll in Experian IdentityWorks, you will have access to the following additional features:

- Experian credit report at signup: See what information is associated with your credit file. Daily credit reports are available for online members only.*
- Credit Monitoring: Actively monitors Experian, Equifax and Transunion files for indicators of fraud.
- Identity Restoration: Identity Restoration specialists are immediately available to help you address credit and non-credit related fraud.
- Experian IdentityWorks ExtendCARETM: You receive the same high-level of Identity Restoration support even after your Experian IdentityWorks membership has expired.
- \$1 Million Identity Theft Insurance**: Provides coverage for certain costs and unauthorized electronic fund transfers.

Activate your	membership today at
or call	to register with the activation code above.

What you can do to protect your information: There are additional actions you can consider taking to reduce the chances of identity theft or fraud on your account(s). Please refer to www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration for this information. If you have any questions about IdentityWorks, need help understanding something on your credit report or suspect that an item on your credit report may be fraudulent, please contact Experian's customer care team at

2. <u>Placing a Fraud Alert on Your Credit File.</u>

Whether or not you choose to use the complimentary 12 month credit monitoring services, we recommend that you place an initial one-year "Fraud Alert" on your credit files, <u>at no charge</u>. A fraud alert tells creditors to contact you personally before they open any new accounts. To place a fraud alert, call any <u>one</u> of the three major credit bureaus at the numbers listed below. As soon as one credit bureau confirms your fraud alert, they will notify the others.

TransUnion LLC P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19016 www.transunion.com 1-800-680-7289

Equifax	Experian
P.O. Box 105069	P.O. Box 2002
Atlanta, GA 30348	Allen, TX 75013
www.equifax.com	www.experian.com
1-800-525-6285	1-888-397-3742

^{*} Offline members will be eligible to call for additional reports quarterly after enrolling.

^{**} Identity theft insurance is underwritten by insurance company subsidiaries or affiliates of American International Group, Inc. (AIG). The description herein is a summary and intended for informational purposes only and does not include all terms, conditions and exclusions of the policies described. Please refer to the actual policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions.

3. Consider Placing a Security Freeze on Your Credit File.

If you are very concerned about becoming a victim of fraud or identity theft, you may request a "Security Freeze" be placed on your credit file, at no charge. A security freeze prohibits, with certain specific exceptions, the consumer reporting agencies from releasing your credit report or any information from it without your express authorization. You may place a security freeze on your credit report by contacting <u>all three</u> nationwide credit reporting companies at the numbers below and following the stated directions or by sending a request in writing, by mail, to <u>all three</u> credit reporting companies:

Equifax Security FreezeExperian Security FreezeTransUnion Security FreezeP.O. Box 105788P.O. Box 9554P.O. Box 2000Atlanta, GA 30348Allen, TX 75013Chester, PA 19016https://www.freeze.equifax.comhttp://experian.com/freezehttp://www.transunion.com/securityfreeze1-800-349-99601-888-397-37421-888-909-8872

In order to place the security freeze, you'll need to supply your name, address, date of birth, Social Security number and other personal information. After receiving your freeze request, each credit reporting company will send you a confirmation letter containing a unique PIN (personal identification number) or password. Keep the PIN or password in a safe place. You will need it if you choose to lift the freeze.

If your personal information has been used to file a false tax return, to open an account or to attempt to open an account in your name or to commit fraud or other crimes against you, you may file a police report in the City in which you currently reside.

If you do place a security freeze *prior* to enrolling in the credit monitoring service as described above, you will need to remove the freeze in order to sign up for the credit monitoring service. After you sign up for the credit monitoring service, you may refreeze your credit file.

4. Obtaining a Free Credit Report.

Under federal law, you are entitled to one free credit report every 12 months from <u>each</u> of the above three major nationwide credit reporting companies. Call **1-877-322-8228** or request your free credit reports online at **www.annualcreditreport. com**. Once you receive your credit reports, review them for discrepancies. Identify any accounts you did not open or inquiries from creditors that you did not authorize. Verify all information is correct. If you have questions or notice incorrect information, contact the credit reporting company.

5. Additional Helpful Resources.

Even if you do not find any suspicious activity on your initial credit reports, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recommends that you check your credit reports periodically. Checking your credit report periodically can help you spot problems and address them quickly.

If you find suspicious activity on your credit reports or have reason to believe your information is being misused, call your local law enforcement agency and file a police report. Be sure to obtain a copy of the police report, as many creditors will want the information it contains to absolve you of the fraudulent debts. You may also file a complaint with the FTC by contacting them on the web at www.ftc.gov/idtheft, by phone at 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338), or by mail at Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. Your complaint will be added to the FTC's Identity Theft Data Clearinghouse, where it will be accessible to law enforcement for their investigations. In addition, you may obtain information from the FTC about fraud alerts and security freezes.

If this notice letter states that your financial account information and/or credit or debit card information was impacted, we recommend that you contact your financial institution to inquire about steps to take to protect your account, including whether you should close your account or obtain a new account number.

New York Residents: You may obtain information about preventing identity theft from the New York Attorney General's Office: Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; https://ag.ny.gov/consumer-frauds-bureau/ identity-theft; Telephone: 800-771-775 (TDD/TYY Support: 800-788-9898).