



# DAKOTA PRAIRIE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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ATTN: North Dakota Attorney General's Office

Dakota Prairie School District has received a letter regarding a data security incident affecting the Aimsweb 1.0 assessment platform used in the district. Aimsweb is owned by the Pearson Clinical Assessment company. This was a nationwide breach, occurring with the vendor (not Dakota Prairie School District) and affected more than 13,000 schools and universities.

**Pearson, working with security experts, has indicated that there is no evidence that any data has been misused.**

The specific student data in the file, as provided by Pearson, included first name, last name, and in some instances date of birth. According to Pearson, no grade or assessment information was effected in this incident. The Aimsweb 1.0 platform does not contain social security numbers, credit card data, or other financial information. Employee data that was a part of the incident consisting of first name, last name, and district email address.

Pearson is providing complimentary credit monitoring services through Experian for affected individuals. They have provided a phone number, 866-883-3309, as well as an email address - aimsweb1request@pearson.com, to request these services or for additional information.

Dakota Prairie Public Schools has placed a letter on their website and disseminated that same letter through direct mail to the parents/guardians/staff members of those affected. If you request any additional information, please contact Carolyn Berdal, Dakota Prairie Technology Director, at 701-345-8233 or [carolyn.berdal@k12.nd.us](mailto:carolyn.berdal@k12.nd.us) or Jay B. Slade, Superintendent, at 701-345-8233 or [jay.slade@k12.nd.us](mailto:jay.slade@k12.nd.us).

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