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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Each year, every school district in New Hampshire is required to report student data by race and ethnicity categories, set by the federal government, to the New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE). Though the NHDOE does not report individual student data to the federal government, the total number of students in various categories of each school is reported.

Recently, the federal government adjusted the student data reporting categories. With the new reporting categories, you will need to update your child's data. Starting with the 2009-2010 school year, all schools in New Hampshire will report student data to the New Hampshire Department of Education using the new categories.

Please update your child's student data, by completing the enclosed form and sending it to your child's school by August 24, 2009. If we do not receive a response from you, an employee of the district will be required to provide this information based on observation. (Note that federal regulations no longer permit districts to use a "not reported" code.) Please contact your child's school Principal if you would like to check the student data currently on file for your child.

Thank you very much for your cooperation in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

Dr. Dean S. T. Cascadden

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Student's name: _____ Grade: _____

Please answer BOTH part A and B.

Part A. **Is this student Hispanic/Latino?** (*Choose only one*)

- No, not Hispanic/ Latino**
- Yes, Hispanic/ Latino** (A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.)

The above part of the question is about ethnicity, not race. No matter what you selected above, **please continue to answer the following** by marking one or more boxes to indicate what you consider your student's (or your) race to be.

Part B. **What is the student's race?** (*Choose one or more*)

- American Indian or Alaska Native** (A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment).
- Asian** (A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam).
- Black or African American** (A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa).
- White** (A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa).
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander** (A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands).

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____