

To Enroll, Please Call: (833) 749-1673 Or Visit: <u>https://response.idx.us/illuminate</u> Enrollment Code: <<<u>ENROLLMENT</u>>>>

<<FIRST NAME>> <<LAST NAME>> <<ADDRESS1>> <<ADDRESS2>> <<CITY>>, <<STATE>> <<ZIP>>

May 27, 2022

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Dear <<<FIRST NAME>> <<LAST NAME>>:

Illuminate Education is an education company that provides applications and technology support to schools and school districts, including <<IE Customer name>>. Illuminate Education is writing, on behalf of <<IE Customer name>> to make you aware of an incident that may affect the security of some of your information. While we are not aware of any actual or attempted misuse of your information, we are providing you with an overview of the incident, our ongoing response, and resources available to you right now to help protect your information, should you feel it is appropriate to do so.

**What Happened?** On January 8, 2022, Illuminate Education became aware of suspicious activity in a set of isolated applications within our environment. We immediately took steps to secure the affected applications and launched an investigation with external forensic specialists to determine the nature and scope of the activity.

On March 24, 2022, our investigation confirmed that certain databases containing potentially protected student information were subject to unauthorized access between December 28, 2021, and January 8, 2022. On or around April 5, 2022 Illuminate Education began the process of notifying <<IE Customer name>>. Illuminate Education is now notifying you of this incident because our investigation has determined that your information was contained in the affected databases.

What Information Was Involved? The affected databases may have contained the following: your name, <<Variable Text 2>>. We want to assure you that Social Security numbers and financial information were not at risk as a result of this event. Although we have no evidence that any information was subject to actual or attempted misuse, we are providing you with this notice out of an abundance of caution.

What We Are Doing. The confidentiality, privacy, and security of information in our care is among our highest priorities. When we discovered this incident, we immediately rotated credentials for the impacted applications and began an investigation with the support of third-party forensic specialists to ensure the security of our systems and determine what data might have been affected. We also conducted a review of our policies and procedures and implemented additional security measures to protect the security of information in our possession.

As an added precaution, we are offering you complementary access to 12 months of credit and identity monitoring services through IDX. We encourage you to enroll in these services, as we are not able to act on your behalf to enroll you. Please review the instructions contained in the attached *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Information* for additional information on these services.

What You Can Do. As standard best practice, we encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your account statements and monitoring your free credit reports for suspicious activity and to detect errors. Please also review the information contained in the enclosed "Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Personal Information."

**For More Information.** We understand that you may have questions about this incident that are not addressed in this letter. If you have additional questions, please call our dedicated assistance line at (833) 749-1673, Monday through Friday from 9am – 9pm EST.

We take this incident very seriously and sincerely regret any inconvenience or concern this incident may cause you.

Sincerely,

Scott Virkler Chief Product Officer Illuminate Education

### Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Personal Information

### **Enroll in Credit and Identity Monitoring**

We encourage you to contact IDX with any questions and to enroll in the free credit and identity protection services by calling (833) 749-1673 or going to <u>https://response.idx.us/illuminate</u> and using the Enrollment Code provided above. IDX representatives are available Monday through Friday from 9 am - 9 pm Eastern Time. Please note, the deadline to enroll is August 27, 2022.

### **Monitor Your Accounts**

Under U.S. law, a consumer is entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. To order your free credit report, visit <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u> or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. You may also directly contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below to request a free copy of your credit report.

Consumers have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer's identity before extending new credit. If you are a victim of identity theft, you are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is a fraud alert lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any one of the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, consumers have the right to place a "credit freeze" on a credit report, which will prohibit a credit bureau from releasing information in the credit report without the consumer's express authorization. The credit freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, you should be aware that using a credit freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application you make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit. Pursuant to federal law, you cannot be charged to place or lift a credit freeze on your credit report. To request a security freeze, you will need to provide the following information:

- 1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.);
- 2. Social Security number;
- 3. Date of birth;
- 4. Addresses for the prior two to five years;
- 5. Proof of current address, such as a current utility bill or telephone bill;
- 6. A legible photocopy of a government-issued identification card (state driver's license or ID card, etc.); and
- 7. A copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft if you are a victim of identity theft.

Should you wish to place a credit freeze, please contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
https://www.equifax.com/personal/	https://www.experian.com/help/	https://www.transunion.com/
credit-report-services/		<u>credit-help</u>
888-298-0045	1-888-397-3742	833-395-6938
Equifax Fraud Alert	Experian Fraud Alert	TransUnion Fraud Alert
P.O. Box 105069	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 2000
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016
Equifax Credit Freeze	Experian Credit Freeze	TransUnion Credit Freeze
P.O. Box 105788	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 160
Atlanta, GA 30348-5788	Allen, TX 75013	Woodlyn, PA 19094

# **Additional Information**

You may further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps you can take to protect your personal information by contacting the consumer reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission, or your state Attorney General. The Federal Trade Commission may be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580; <u>www.identitytheft.gov</u>; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. You can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. You have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some proof that you have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement and your state Attorney General. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

*For District of Columbia residents*, the District of Columbia Attorney General may be contacted at: 400 6th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001; 202-727-3400; and <u>oag@dc.gov</u>.

*For Maryland residents*, the Maryland Attorney General may be contacted at: 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202; 1-410-528-8662 or 1-888-743-0023; and <u>www.oag.state.md.us</u>. Illuminate Education is located at 530 Technology Drive, Ste 100, Irvine CA 92618.

*For New Mexico residents*, you have rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, such as the right to be told if information in your credit file has been used against you, the right to know what is in your credit file, the right to ask for your credit score, and the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information. Further, pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the consumer reporting bureaus must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information; access to your file is limited; you must give your consent for credit reports to be provided to employers; you may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report; and you may seek damages from violator. You may have additional rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act not summarized here. Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have specific additional rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act by visiting <u>www.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_you-rights\_under-fcra.pdf</u>, or by writing Consumer Response Center, Room 130-A, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

*For New York residents,* the New York Attorney General may be contacted at: Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; 1-800-771-7755; or <u>https://ag.ny.gov/</u>.

For North Carolina residents, the North Carolina Attorney General may be contacted at: 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001; 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6000; and <u>www.ncdoj.gov</u>.

*For Rhode Island residents*, the Rhode Island Attorney General may be reached at: 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903; <u>www.riag.ri.gov</u>; and 1-401-274-4400. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. There are 2 Rhode Island residents impacted by this incident.



Parent or Guardian of: <<FIRST NAME>> <<LAST NAME>> <<ADDRESS1>> <<ADDRESS2>> <<CITY>>, <<STATE>> <<ZIP>>

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Typically, credit reporting agencies do not have a credit report in a minor's name. To find out if your minor has a credit report or to request a manual search for your minor's Social Security number each credit bureau has its own process. To learn more about these processes or request these services, you may contact the credit bureaus by phone or in writing or you may visit the below websites:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
https://www.equifax.com/personal/ education/identity-theft/ child-identity-theft/	www.experian.com/fraud/ form-minor-child.html	www.transunion.com/credit-disputes/ child-identity-theft-inquiry-form
1-800-685-1111	1-888-397-3742	1-888-909-8872
P.O. Box 105788	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 2000
Atlanta, GA 30348-5788	Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016

To request information about the existence of a credit file in your minor's name, search for you minor's Social Security number, place a security freeze on your minor's credit file, place a fraud alert on your minor's credit report (if one exists), or request a copy of your minor's credit report you may be required to provide the following information:

- A copy of your driver's license or another government issued identification card, such as a state identification card, etc.;
- Proof of your address, such as a copy of a bank statement, utility bill, insurance statement, etc.;
- A copy of your minor's birth certificate;
- A copy of your minor's Social Security card;
- Your minor's full name, including middle initial and generation, such as JR, SR, II, III, etc.;
- Your minor's date of birth; and
- Your minor's previous addresses for the past two years.

# **Additional Information**

We also recommend you review your minor's account statements from the past 12 to 24 months. If unauthorized activity is detected, notify law enforcement and the relevant financial institution. You may further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps individuals may take to protect personal information by contacting the consumer reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission, or your state Attorney General. The Federal Trade Commission may be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580; <u>www.identitytheft.gov</u>; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that information has been misused to file a complaint with them. You can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. You have the right to file a police report if your minor experiences identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some proof that your minor has been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement and your state Attorney General. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

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