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Dear Parent,

In January 2002, the United States Congress passed a federal education law, the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) that increased parents' choices about their children's education. The purpose of this letter is to inform you about this law and the provision for supplemental educational services for eligible students. Supplemental educational services are classes or tutoring that provide additional academic assistance to eligible students at a time outside the regular school day. These services must support and be consistent with the instruction provided by the school.

NCLB requires districts to teach grade-level standards, use the most effective methods and instructional strategies for teaching students, and assess their progress each year. A school's progress is determined by adequate yearly progress (AYP), which is based primarily on how well students do on the state assessments administered to grades 4, 8, and 11. Schools that do not make AYP for two consecutive years in the same content area are identified as "in need of improvement" by the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE). Under NCLB, New Jersey schools that are in improvement status for two consecutive years must provide supplemental educational services to eligible students.

Based on the 2009-2010 AYP results, Mainland Regional High School is now in its third year as a school in need of improvement and, therefore, must offer supplemental educational services during the 2010-2011 school year to eligible students.

Supplemental educational services are designed to help students increase their academic achievement and meet the state standards. Supplemental service providers must be selected from the state-approved list, which is available on the NJDOE website at the following address: <http://nj.gov/education/title1/program/ss/providers/apprv-1011>. This list can also be found on our website under NCLB Resources.

As a parent of an eligible student, you have the option to request supplemental educational services for your child and select a supplemental service provider from the approved list.

Requests for supplemental educational services must be made by filling out the enclosed form and returning it to the Main Office. Applications must be completed and returned to the district by October 15, 2010. If you have any questions, please call (609) 927-4151.

Sincerely,

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