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To: Neola Clients

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Re: Legal Alert Regarding New Posting Requirement - Public Act 231

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In the fall of 2022, the legislature amended the Revised School Code to add section 10a, which requires that all districts post the following portions of the state constitution and the Revised School Code by **March 29, 2023**:

Section 1 of Article VIII of the state constitution of 1963

Religion, morality and knowledge being necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged.

Section 10 of the Revised School Code

It is the natural, fundamental right of parents and legal guardians to determine and direct the care, teaching, and education of their children. The public schools of this state serve the needs of the pupils by cooperating with the pupil's parents and legal guardians to develop the pupil's intellectual capabilities and vocational skills in a safe and positive environment.

The above language must be prominently posted and maintained in a manner that is easily accessible by the public in all of the following locations:

1. The room or rooms in which the board of education conducts its meetings.
2. An office in the school district's administrative building.
3. The principal's or chief administrator's office, as applicable, at each school operated by the district.

The new statute does not prohibit the posting of additional language from the Michigan Constitution or the Revised School Code, but it does mandate that the above sections be posted in the designated manner and locations.

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