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January 12, 2011

Baton Rouge, Louisiana	
RE: - Sh	ort Term Appeal Hearing
Dear least l	
your child,	Follow-up to Short Term Appeal Hearing held January 12, 2011 concerning who attends Glasgow Middle School and who received a two (2)-day posting that he hated his teacher on his "face book" page. The information

The committee granted the appeal for the short term suspension for the following reasons:

• There was no representation of the school present,

was carefully reviewed by the committee.

- There was no evidence to support the two-day suspension,
- The student was remorseful for what he had done.
- When asked to explain why did he post that he "hated" his teacher to his "face book" page he stated, that he was frustrated due to the amount of homework that he had to do,
- stated that he was not asked to explain what he had done,
- Although posted that he hates his teacher to his face book page he did not threaten his teacher,
- According to "Tinker v. Des Moines, "Students do not shed their right to free speech and expression at the school house door."

The committee further finds there could have been interventions such as PBIS or other options found in The Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook pages 22-29.



If you have any questions, please call (225) 226-3463.

Sincerely,

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