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## BRANDYWINE VALLEY CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Every school in Delaware is required to report to the Department of Education each year student data by race and ethnicity categories that are set up by the federal government. The Department of Education does not report individual data to the federal government but does report the total number of students in the various categories in each school. These reports help us keep track of changes in student enrollments.

The federal government recently changed the reporting categories for student data. As a result, you have the opportunity to update the student data for your child. With the new reporting categories, you may identify your child by ethnic group (either Hispanic/Latino OR not Hispanic/Latino) AND by ONE or MORE of five racial groups (1) American Indian or Alaskan Native; (2) Black or African American; (3) Asian; (4) Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander; (5) White.

Starting with the 2010-2011 school year, all schools in Delaware will report student data to the Department of Education using the new categories. Please complete the form and return it to us by September 1, 2010.

If you have any questions regarding this new policy, many questions are answered on their website at <http://www2.ed.gov/policy/rschstat/guid/raceethnicity/questions.html>.

Sincerely,

Heather L. Wilson

Director of Brandywine Valley Christian Preschool