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Date: January 24, 2006
To: Dr. James A. Caradonio
From: Dr. Stephen E. Mills
Subject: **gb#6-10:** Request for information from School Committee member Joseph O'Brien regarding the number of students who have asked that their directory information not be released to military recruiters.

In addition to a statement in the Student Policies Handbook, parents of junior and senior students are sent an Opt-Out form every year in early September. There has been a dramatic increase in families choosing to opt-out in accordance with the NCLB ordinance. The results of the September 2005 Opt-Out letter, by grade and school, are as follows:

Name of School	Grade 11	Grade 12	School Total
Burncoat High	14	118	132
Doherty High	39	68	107
North High	36	71	107
South High	47	43	90
Vocational High	53	55	108
University Park Campus	5	2	7
A.L.L.	11	1	12
Total	205	358	563

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To the Parents of Junior/Senior Worcester Public High School Students:

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If you wish for the Worcester Public Schools NOT to divulge your child's directory information, please sign this form and send it back to your child's principal or assistant principal and we will remove your son/daughter's name from the list that we are required to provide military recruiters. If you have any questions regarding this issue, please feel free to contact your son/daughter's principal or assistant principal.

Please return this form by:

Principal

Assistant Principal

Student's Name: _____

Please Print

Student ID #: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

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Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature