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# Attendance study

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Christiansen"

Thursday, April 23, 2020 at 2:38:50 PM Eastern Daylight Time

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Thank you,  
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Ms. Christiansen,

I am unaware of the status of the Milone and Macbroom study or the timeline for presentation to the board and public. This study is just one component of a comprehensive review of district attendance patterns. The district did not hire a company to simply use district purchased software. Obviously the district will provide the company with relevant data for this important study. I do not recall any commitment to have a presentation in June.

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