January 22, 2021

Dear RSD13 Families,

Despite Regional School District 13's ongoing efforts to ensure the highest levels of data security and privacy in the use of educational systems, we were regretfully informed on January 22, 2021, that information about some students may have been compromised in a recent breach of 123RF Limited's PIXLR Photo Editing software. The data from 123RF Limited is housed off-site and the following elements were breached:

● Student's Email Addresses
● Student's strongly encrypted hashes of their Pixlr passwords

123RF Limited has investigated the causes and identified the steps required to mitigate the incident and are taking preventive measures to avoid a further occurrence. At present 123RF Limited is proactively responding to all queries posted by their registered users in relation to the data breach. Rest assured, Pixlr and its systems are now secure as they have incorporated additional security measures. All the passwords were well secured with cryptographic encryption. Please note that no other information was copied or exposed.

Administration and the technology lead have met with the affected students to inform them and support them in changing their passwords.

Again, we regret that this incident has taken place and welcome any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Cori-Ann DiMaggio, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment
Ken Pietrasko, Director of Infrastructure and Security Technology