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TO: Parents of Students with Disabilities

RE: Parent Notification of Scholarship Programs for Students with Disabilities

Senate Bill 316 established a new requirement related to students with disabilities that became effective September 24, 2012. Per Ohio Revised Code Section 3323.052, you are being notified about the Autism Scholarship Program, under section 3310.41 of the Revised Code, and the Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program, under Sections 3310.51 to 3310.64 of the Revised Code.

Your child may be eligible for a scholarship under the Autism Scholarship Program or the Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program to attend a special education program that implements your child's individualized education program and that is operated by an alternative public provider or by a registered private provider.

Information on scholarship programs is available from the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) web site at www.education.ohio.gov.

- * For information on the Autism Scholarship Program, search Autism Scholarship Program.
- * For information on the John Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program, search Jon Peterson Scholarship.

For additional information or questions on these scholarship programs, contact:

Office of Nonpublic Educational Options

(614) 466-5743

Toll free: (877) 644-6338

Email: <u>autismscholarship@education.ohio.gov</u> Email: <u>Peterson.scholarship@education.ohio.gov</u>

A copy of this notification will be posted on the Bridgeport Exempted Village School web site.