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Dear Principal:

Your assistance is requested in conjunction with the centralized snack & beverage vending program that went into effect on March 1, 2010. Answer Vending and CC Vending are the only companies approved to operate vending machines in all NYCDOE locations. All vending machines belonging to other companies are noncompliant and must be removed from your school. A final letter is being sent to these companies on **June 14, 2011** informing them they have 30 days to remove their machines. After 30 days, the machines will be deemed abandoned and could be scheduled for disposal. This letter will also be posted on each noncompliant vending machine by your school's SchoolFood Manager.

To clarify, any vending machine located in student-accessible and teacher-accessible locations that is not provided by one of our contracted vendors is considered noncompliant. The only approved vending companies are:

- CC Vending (beverages) and their subcontractors My 3 Sons, K&D and Answer Vending
- Answer Vending (snacks) and their subcontractors My 3 Sons, K&D and First Choice

To assist in this effort, we ask that you take the following steps: 1) Inform any noncompliant vending companies who provide service to your school that they must remove their machines immediately; 2) Unplug any noncompliant vending machines; 3) Inform your school's security personnel to prohibit noncompliant vending companies from entering your school unless they are removing their vending machines.

If you have questions about this machine removal process, please contact Latoya Spruill at (718) 707-4246.

Sincerely,

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