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Subject: Teacher Hires and Retires Series 1 - FOIA - Illinois
Date: August 28, 2026

Dear Catarina Mascarenhas,

Thank you for reaching out to Winfield School District 34 with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, as per the Illinois FOIA statute (5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.).

Summary of Your Request (8/28/26):

You requested the following public records:

We seek the following existing records concerning teachers who retired at the end of the 2025-2026 school year and teachers newly hired for the 2026-2027 school year:

1. Existing records showing teachers who retired from the district during or at the end of the 2025-2026 school year, including but not limited to retirement lists, personnel action reports, and board-approved personnel items, and any data extract of those records showing name, position, subject or grade assignment, school, and effective date.
2. Existing records showing teachers newly hired by the district for the 2026-2027 school year, including but not limited to new-hire lists, personnel action reports, and board-approved personnel items, and any data extract of those records showing name, position, subject or grade assignment, school, and start date.

Response to Your Request: [Please see the attachment.](#)

This response fulfills your request within the five-business-day timeframe mandated by the Illinois FOIA. Should you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your inquiry.

Best regards,
Amanda Melsa
FOIA Officer
Winfield School District 34