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September 4, 2026

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Catarina Mascarenhas
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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Catarina Mascarenhas:

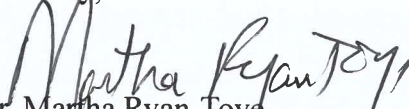
You submitted a Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") to the School District (the "District") on August 28, 2026. Your request and the District's response are below:

Request: *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: For Item #1, we did not have any teacher retirements during the 2025-2026 school year. See attached.

If you believe that this response is an unlawful denial of your request, I invite you to discuss your objections with me. You have the right to have the denial reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to: Public Access Counselor, Office of the Attorney General, 500 South 2nd Street Springfield, Illinois 62701, Fax: 217-782-1396, E-mail: public.access@ilag.gov, Phone: 877-299-3642. If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days after the date of the denial letter. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original request for documents and the denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC. You also have the right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

Sincerely,


Dr. Martha Ryan-Toye
Freedom of Information Act Officer