



PUTNAM COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #535

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February 26, 2026

VIA EMAIL

Nathanael Bird
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Dear Mr. Bird:

This letter serves as the timely response of Putnam County Community Unit School District 535 (the "District") to your Illinois Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request received on February 19th, 2026, seeking presented materials and supporting documents and communications related to the following Board meeting agenda items:

- January 13, 2026 Special meeting:
 - V. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO RESCIND BOARD ACTION TAKEN ON DECEMBER 16, 2025, TO RELEASE BIDS FOR PCJH GYMNASIUM RTUs
 - VI. LARSON & DARBY GROUP PRESENTATION OF STAFF FEEDBACK ON PCES AND PCJH
 - VII. BOARD OF EDUCATION FEEDBACK ON PCES AND PCJH
- February 17th, Regular Meeting:
 - IX.A Presentation by Larson & Darby Group of Conceptual Designs for PCES and PCJH Presentation.

Response

In response to your request for records related to agenda items for the January 13th, 2026 meeting, the District is providing the attached records. The District is withholding a draft document that included student names as a preliminary record pursuant to FOIA Section 7(1)(f). 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(f). Section 7(1)(f) allows redaction or withholding of "[p]reliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda, or other documents in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions are formulated, except that a specific record or relevant portion of a record shall not be exempt when the record is publicly cited and identified by the head of the public body." 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(f). The withheld draft has not been publicly cited or identified by the head of the public body. The District is providing you the final version of the draft document.

Pursuant to FOIA Section 8.5, the District is providing you access to the February 17, 2026 presentation at the following link: <https://meetings.boardbook.org/Public/Agenda/1267?meeting=731835>

The District is not withholding any other records responsive to your request.

Conclusion

The District's FOIA Officer is responsible for the partial denial of your request. You may ask the Illinois Attorney General's Public Access Counselor (PAC) to review this partial denial by submitting a Request for Review to the PAC by electronic mail or U.S. Mail within 60 days after this response. A request for Review by the PAC should be directed to: Public Access Bureau, Office of the Attorney General, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, IL 62701, public.access@ilag.gov, 877-299-FOIA. You also have the right to review by a court of law pursuant to FOIA Section 11.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CJ Theisinger', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dr. Clayton J. Theisinger
Superintendent