



Estimated cost to the District for this request: \$175.00



October 13, 2021

Jahala R. Gerst
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RE: Freedom of Information Request

Dear Ms. Gerst:

On October 6, 2021, Mahomet-Seymour Community School District 3 received a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request from you for the following records:

All HOA and POA documents from 2010 to 2021. Line items expenditures associated with Conway Farms from 2010 to 2021. All communications and attachments, including personal and text regarding Conway Farms HOA and POA.

This request is unduly burdensome. There are over 3,000 records that are potentially responsive to this request. It would take a District employee an unreasonable amount of time to review all these records to determine responsiveness and possible exemptions. The FOIA does not require the District to undertake such an exercise and to do so would be unduly burdensome. 5 ILCS 140/3(g). Fully responding to the request would unreasonably disrupt the duly undertaken work of the School District and would require the School District to go beyond what is reasonably expected of a public body contrary to the intent of the FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/1. The FOIA is not intended to unduly burden public resources or to disrupt the duly undertaken work of a public body when the burden of the public body outweighs the public interest in the information. 5 ILCS 140/1.

You are invited to contact me to clarify and narrow the scope of the search to reduce your request to manageable proportions. If you do not contact me within a reasonable time, you should consider this response as a final response and denial of your request based on the unduly burdensome exemption provided in Section 3(g) of the FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/3(g).

To the extent you interpret this response as a denial, 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, IL 62706. Fax 217-782-1396. E-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us, Phone 1-877-299-3642. If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days after the date of this 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lindsey A. Hall". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dr. Lindsey Hall, Superintendent and FOIA Officer



Request to Inspect or Copy Records

Use this form to request records that are not already available within the public domain. You are not required to use this form, but your request must be written. This form is offered as a courtesy and a guide to assist you.

Submit to: Mahomet-Seymour CUSD #3 FOIA Officer
Dr. Lindsey Hall, Superintendent
1301 S. Bulldog Drive
Mahomet, IL 61853

I, hereby request the opportunity to (a) **inspect** or (b) **copy** the following record(s). (Please circle.)

Please describe the record(s) precisely: All HOA and POA documents from 2010 to 2021. Line items expenditures associated with Conway Farms from 2010 to 2021. All communications and attachments, including personal email and text regarding Conway Farms HOA and POA.

This request is for a (a) non-commercial or (b) **commercial** purpose. (Please circle.)

I understand that the first 50 pages of black-and-white letter or legal-sized copies are free. The copying charge for additional pages is \$.15 per page. Personnel costs can also apply at a rate of \$10.00 per hour beyond the first 8 hours of labor.

Jahala R. Gerst
Signature of Requesting Individual

10/6/2021
Date Request Submitted

217-417-3679
Phone Number

E-Mail: gerstjae@gmail.com

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1402 E. Heather Dr.
Address

Mahomet, IL 61853
City, State, Zip

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

Date request received by District FOIA Officer

Signature