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Dear Mrs. Tietz:

On January 21, 2022, Mahomet-Seymour Community School District 3 received a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request from you for the following records:

• Emails between Kevin Heid and Trent Nuxoll and/or Heather Smith, but also between anyone at Stifel and Rick Johnston, or Lindsey Hall, or anyone that is or has been employed by the Mahomet-Seymour School District, or individual board members, only communication that involves the junior high.

The request for emails between Kevin Heid and Trent Nuxoll and/or Heather Smith, but also between anyone at Stifel and Rick Johnston, or Lindsey Hall, or anyone that is or has been employed by the Mahomet-Seymour School District, or individual board members, only communication that involves the junior high is unduly burdensome. There are 3142 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 part 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 2 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,

Dr. Lindsey Hall, Superintendent and FOIA Officer