February 9, 2010

Chicago, Illinois 60625

Dear [Name],

This letter is in response to your recent request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received. 2/5/10.

Your initial 5/6/09 request was for copies of the ISAT test booklets and answer sheets for your son, along with a printout of how answers were scored. Your request was denied and you submitted an appeal on 5/20/09. The agency’s denial was upheld by the State Superintendent of Education in a letter to you dated 6/12/09.

In your recent request (dated 1/30/10), you refer to a Chicago Tribune article which states “the ISAT will no longer be used.” While future changes for the ISAT are anticipated, the assessment will be implemented at least through the 2012/2013 school year.

Therefore, the 6/12/09 decision of the agency stands. The offer to review materials on-site (upon signing a confidentiality agreement) remains.

Should you have any questions, contact Mark Wancket at 217-782-4648.

Sincerely,

Matt Vanover
Director of Public Information