State Board of Education
100 North First Street
Springfield, Illinois 62777

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request via the Freedom of Information Act. I am writing to request information about grants awarded to Calumet Elementary School District 132.

1. According to School District 132, the Illinois State Board of Education questioned its spending of $779,527 in grant money from the 2005 and 2006 school years. Is this accurate? If not, please explain why not.

2. According to District 132, because of its response, it was able to recover $541,567 of the grant money, “which represented a significant savings over the original figure presented by the State.” Is this accurate? If not, please explain why not.

3. According to District 132, it “reconstructed accounting records related to 25 state and federal grants” from 2005 and 2006 and submitted the reconstructed information to ISBE. Is this accurate? If not, please explain why not.

4. Please provide the titles of the grants in question and what each award was to be used for (For example: special education.)

5. Please explain why ISBE questioned how District 132 used the grants.
Enclosed is a copy of a letter I received from the new business manager of District 132. It may help you in your research.

You may forward the information to me at the above address. If there are questions regarding this request, please contact me at:

Joe Gatrell

Yours truly,

Joe Gatrell