September 23, 2009 [e-mailed to rrossi@suntimes.com]

Rosalind Rossi  
Chicago Sun-Times  
Ninth Floor News Room  
350 N. Orleans Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60654

Dear Rosalind:

This letter is in response to your recent request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received 9/14/09.

Request 1 — “the total number of students per school and per grade who took an ISAT or PSAE reading test. Please include each school’s name and unit number.”

Response 1 — This information has previously been provided for school years 2006-2007 and 2007-2008. For 2008-2009, the data you seek are not yet available. We anticipate its release in October.

Request 2 — “the total number of students per school and per grade who took an ISAT or PSAE reading test with accommodations. If possible, per school and per grade, please specify how many accommodations for the reading test were for special education vs LEP students. Please include each school’s name and unit number.”

Response 2 — State level data of accommodations by grade, by LEP or IEP, is not yet available. We anticipate its release in October. Data by school and per grade are not available.

Request 3 — “the total number of students per school and per grade who took an ISAT or PSAE math test. Please include each school’s name and unit number.”

Response 3 — See Response 1.

Request 4 — “the total number of students per school and per grade who took an ISAT or PSAE math test with accommodations. If possible, per school and per grade, please specify how many accommodations for the reading test were for special education vs LEP students. Please include each school’s name and unit number.”

Response 4 — See Response 2.
Sincerely,

Matt Vanover
Director of Public Information

Copy: Art Golab (agolab@suntimes.com)