Mr. Matt Vanover, FOIA Officer

Dear Mr. Vanover:

The Evanston RoundTable, L.L.C. (RoundTable), publishes the Evanston RoundTable newspaper in Evanston, Illinois. The RoundTable is submitting this request under the Freedom of Information Act to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). Please provide us with copies of the documents described below. This request covers documents and all retrievable information in computer storage.

1. The ESEA Flexibility, Illinois Request, 2/23/12 states on page 31, “To determine whether the PSAE score is aligned with ACT’s college benchmarks, our current PSAE scores for mathematics, reading and science were compared to the ACT college benchmarks using standard equipercentile equating. In general, the PSAE scores differed little from ACT’s college benchmarks.” Please produce all studies, reports, memoranda and other documents that were prepared in making such comparison or analysis and/or that show or comment on the results of such comparison or analysis.

2. The ESEA Flexibility, Illinois Request, 2/23/12 states on page 31, “Next, to predict whether Grades 3-8 students are on track for college and career readiness, we back mapped from both the PSAE ‘meets standards’ scores and also back mapped from ACT college readiness benchmarks to determine more appropriate ISAT cut scores.” Please produce all studies, reports, memoranda and other documents that were prepared in making this back mapping or analysis and/or that show or comment on the results of the back mapping or analysis.

If you have any questions concerning this, please contact me at info@evanstonroundtable.com or at 847-864-7741. The information may be provided in digital format by email. Please advise me of any duplication costs. Thank you, Larry Gavin, editor, Evanston RoundTable, 1141 Florence Ave., Suite 3, Evanston, Illinois 60201.