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Dear Dr. Kugler

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on May 2.

You have requested records regarding attacks on school personnel. Our response is as follows:

Request 1: Any and all records of attacks on school personnel from 7-29-99 to 5-1-12 reported from the Chicago Public Schools as mandated by 105 ILCS 5/10-21.7.

Response 1: The information you seek is found in the Student Incident Reporting System (SIRS), which is posted at http://www.isbe.net/research/htmls/sch_incident.htm. Please note that this system does not include data from Chicago Public Schools as it has not been reported by the district. Also note that ISBE does not possess data for the period prior to 2005.

Request 2: Any and all records of attacks on school personnel from 7-29-99 to 5-1-12 reported from the Chicago Police Department as mandated by 105 ILCS 5/10-21.7.

Response 2: See Response 1.

Request 3: Any and all records of attacks on school personnel from 7-29-99 to 5-1-12 from all other school districts in Illinois as mandated by 105 ILCS 5/10-21.7.

Response 3: See Response 1.

Request 4: Any and all records of attacks on school personnel from 7-29-99 to 5-1-12 from all other local law enforcement authorities in Illinois as mandated by 105 ILCS 5/10-21.7.

Response 4: See Response 1.

Request 5: Provide all monthly communications and documents that show the State Board of Education received from the Department of State Police through the Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting Program.
Response 5: Our agency does not receive any communications or documents from Illinois State Police through the Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting Program. Our agency receives the data that is self-reported by schools, and we provide the information to state police and make it available to the public by posting it on our SIRS website.

Request 6: Provide all communications and documents that show the State Board of Education compiled this information by school district and made it available to the public.


If you have questions, please contact Amanda Simhauser at (217) 782-4648 or asimhaus@isbe.net.

Sincerely,

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