April 22, 2013
[e-mailed to Hartman@usna.edu]

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Dear Dr. Hartman:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on April 15, 2013.

You have requested the following:

Request 1: Does Illinois conduct any statewide testing in mathematics in grades 8 or higher for which nationally-normed (as opposed to criterion-referenced) results are reported?

Response 1: Yes.

Request 2: Does Illinois collect and make available any statewide testing in mathematics in grades 8 and higher that includes subtests in math (such as "procedures" or "reasoning" or "computation")?

Response 2: Yes. This information for the Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT) is available on the Illinois Interactive Report Card at http://iirc.niu.edu/. After typing in a district or school you are looking for, click on the “Performance” tab, select “ISAT” and then click on “Item Analysis.” This section lists the results of the state goals, standards and assessment objectives for the ISAT, which is administered to grades 3 through 8. This information is not posted for the Prairie State Achievement Examination (PSAE) for grade 11.

Request 3: Would you be able to provide me with any document (preferably in an electronic format) that would include nationally-normed student test scores in mathematics in grades 8 or higher for any period prior to 2003?

Response 3: No. Our agency did not collect nationally-normed data prior to 2003.

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

Marcilene Dutton
Deputy General Counsel