July 11, 2014

[emailed to [REDACTED]]

Dear [REDACTED]

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your original request was received on April 9, 2014.

On April 16, our agency requested a five-day extension until April 23, 2014. Per your conversation with Megan Griffin of ISBE on April 23, you agreed to an additional five-day extension until April 30, 2014.

On April 30, ISBE mailed you a CD containing documents responsive to your request.

On May 15, you requested additional “documents, letters and emails regarding data collection policy and practices”. On June 6, ISBE’s Megan Griffin asked you narrow the request to more manageable parameters due to the extensive amount of potentially responsive emails located.

On June 11, you requested the following:

Request 1: “Copies of original documents from the Federal Education Dept. sent to the ISBE or the Governor for the ISBE. Documents that detail what Data is collected, how to collect, and how to address the parents’ concerns. Copies of the original documents detailing how this entire data collection system is to be set up and under what authority. Also any correspondence regarding what individuals, companies, or corporations, should be or will be used to either produce software or a system enabling data collection from schools or other agencies.”

Response 1: The attached documents (14-308-[REDACTED]doc34.pdf through 14-308-[REDACTED]doc38.pdf) have been provided in response to this portion of your request.

Please be advised we have withheld signatures as unique personal identifiers pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7 (1) (b).

Request 2: “Any legal opinions, statements, demands made by, or questions submitted to US Atty Gen, Eric Holder or any other office in the United States Department of Justice,
Illinois State Attorney General's Office, or any correspondence with any Government Attorney (State or Federal) regarding the Data Collection Practice."

Response 2: Our agency has no documents responsive to this portion of your request.

Request 3: "Any correspondence from the Whitehouse or Administration regarding Data Collection."

Response 3: The attached document (14-308-__doc33.pdf) has been provided in response to this portion of your request.

If you have questions, please contact Megan Griffin at (217) 782-4648 or mgriffin@isbe.net.

Sincerely,

Matt Vanover
Director of Public Information

Attachments