Feb. 27, 2014 [e-mailed to karp@catalyst-chicago.org]

Sarah Karp
Catalyst-Chicago

Dear Ms. Karp:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on Feb. 20, 2014.

You have requested “All information provided by school districts to the Student Incident Report System for 2012 and 2013. My understanding is that the information includes: Incident Date, District Name, School Name, County Name, Region County District Type (RCDT) Code, Incident Time, Location Description (ex. inside school), Gang Individual (Y/N), Offense Description (ex. unlawful Possession of drugs/ unlawful possession of weapon/ unlawful use of drugs/aggravated battery/unlawful sale of drugs), Drug Type Description (if applicable), Weapon Description (if applicable), Weapon Discharged (Y/N), Multiple Offenses (Y/N), Action Taken Description (ex. Suspension), Victim Injured (ex. Minor injury or None) and Victim Description (ex. Teacher/administrator). Also, please provide a list of the school districts that do not submit information to the SIRS.”

The attached document (14-244-karp-doc.xls) has been provided in response to your request. Please note the attached worksheet cannot be used for counts of incidents. There can be multiple rows for one incident because there can be multiple offenders/victims for one incident. If you would like total incident counts, those are available on the ISBE website at http://webapps.isbe.net/sirs/webreports.aspx.

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

Sincerely,

Matt Vanover
Director of Public Information

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