July 11, 2013  [e-mailed to dlischwe@uic.edu]

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Dear Ms. Lischwe:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on July 9, 2013.

You have requested “data about the number and percent of Peoria County children, by school district, as well as the state as a whole (Illinois) who have selected “special education” type disorders, specifically 1) students with IEPs, 2) autism, 3) cognitive disability, 4) emotional disability, 5) learning disability, 6) traumatic brain injury, 7) developmental delay, 8) multiple disabilities, 9) orthopedic impairments and 10) other health problems”.

The attached documents are provided in response to your request (14-006-lischwe-doc1.xlsx and 14-006-lischwe-doc2.xlsx). The first workbook provides the number of students in each district by disability and includes two sheets – the first contains the Region-County-District-Type (RCDT) codes only and the second sheet has the district names. The percentages may be calculated from this data. The second workbook provides the number of students in each county by disability. The percentages may be calculated from this data.

Pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7 (1) (a), student cell sizes of less than 10 have been redacted. Even in the absence of disclosing student names, small group sizes could reveal student identities.

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

Sincerely,

Matt Vanover
Director of Public Information

Attachments