June 20, 2014

VIA EMAIL
Ms. Megan Griffin
Freedom of Information Officer
Illinois State Board of Education
100 North First Street
Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

Dear Ms. Griffin:

Pursuant to Illinois’ Freedom of Information Act as delineated at 5 ILCS 140 et seq. and its stated policy to provide access by all persons to public records so as to promote the transparency and accountability of public bodies at all levels of government, please forward to my attention the following public records which was prepared, was or is being used, received, possessed or under the control of the Illinois State Board of Education (“ISBE”). As the Freedom of Information Act Officer for ISBE, please forward this information to me electronically within five (5) business days from receipt of this request unless the requisite time period is extended upon a legally valid basis.

Public records as defined by statute would include but not be limited to “… all records, reports, forms, writings, letters, memoranda, books, papers, maps, photographs, microfilms, cards, tapes, recordings, electronic data processing records, electronic communications, recorded information and all other documentary materials pertaining to the transaction of public business, regardless of physical form or characteristics, having been prepared by or for, or having been or being used by, received by, in the possession of, or under the control of any public body”.

We request the following public records:

1. All records related to Acacia Academy’s day program, including, but not limited to,
all materials submitted or gathered in connection with or related in any manner to the application of Acacia Academy for ISBE/GPCR approval status and the ISBE’s investigation and response to same;

2. Any and all materials relative to ISBE’s post-approval monitoring of this facility; and

3. Any and all complaints filed in regards to Acacia Academy along with any records documenting the response and outcome of those complaints.

Thank you in advance for your assistance. Please contact the undersigned at with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Deborah F. Weiss

Deborah F. Weiss

cc: Matt Cohen