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Dear Dr. Brusca-Vega:

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

Per your conversation with ISBE’s Megan Griffin on May 16, you agreed to the new deadline of May 28, 2014. On May 28, you agreed to the extended due date of May 30, 2014. We provided data “for each year from 2002 to the present, the number of students with IEPs by language group (e.g., English, Polish, Urdu) and disability category for the state as a whole and by school district.” on May 30.

On June 3, you requested an additional spreadsheet for “the number of special education students who have English listed as their primary language and the number of special education students who have a language other than English indicated as their primary language by district for the year 2013”.

The attached document (14-343-brusca-vega-doc2.pdf) has been provided in response to your request. Please note student group sizes of less than 10 have been redacted pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7 (1) (a). Even in the absence of student names, small group sizes could reveal student identities.

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

Sincerely,

Marcilene Dutton
Deputy General Counsel

Attachment