Mar. 6, 2015

Kristine Brown
RAND Corporation

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on Jan. 12, 2015.

On Jan. 20, our agency requested a five-day extension until Jan. 27, 2015. Per numerous email and phone conversations with ISBE’s Megan Griffin, you agreed to an additional extension in order for us to compile the data as requested.

You have requested “Teacher Service Records (TSR) for the school years 1970-71 through 2013-14 with (1) An identifying variable that links employees across years, and (2) A variable that indicates the age of each teacher (as it is recorded in the records or calculated as of June 30 of each school year).”

ISBE’s Tim Simmons will be providing the responsive data to you via your company’s file sharing platform, Accellion, due to the large file size. Please note we only have the requested data available from 1972 through 2014. The age of each educator will be indicated per year based upon their ages on June 30 of each year.

Per your discussion with ISBE’s Megan Griffin, the first batch of data (1972-2012) will be uploaded today, Mar. 6, and the second batch (2012-2014) will be provided by Mar. 10, 2015.

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

Sincerely,

Matt Vanover
Director of Public Information