

## **Fwd: Freedom of Information Act Request**

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Adam Brumbaugh <a href="mailto:abrumbaugh@geneseoschools.org">abrumbaugh@geneseoschools.org</a>

Sun, Aug 22, 2021 at 3:34 PM

To: Tim Gronski <tgronski@geneseoschools.org>, Jill Hamer <jhamer@geneseoschools.org>

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From: Lamberty, Josh < Josh.Lamberty@wqad.com>

Date: Sun, Aug 22, 2021 at 11:51 AM

Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request

To: abrumbaugh@geneseoschools.org <abrumbaugh@geneseoschools.org>

Hello,

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- Any and all emails sent to and from athletic coaches from each sport and the athletic director, between January 1, 2018 through August 20, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.
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- Any and all emails, work orders and other maintenance documentation showing status of maintenance for all athletic facilities, between January 1, 2018 through August 20, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.

Thank you,

Josh Lamberty

# Josh Lamberty

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**tgronski@geneseoschools.org** <tgronski@geneseoschools.org>
To: Adam Brumbaugh <abrumbaugh@geneseoschools.org>

Sun, Aug 22, 2021 at 4:36 PM

Cc: Jill Hamer < jhamer@geneseoschools.org>

I these.

On Aug 22, 2021, at 3:35 PM, Adam Brumbaugh <abrumbaugh@geneseoschools.org> wrote:

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## **Geneseo School District FOIA Request**

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Jill Hamer <jhamer@geneseoschools.org>
To: Josh.Lamberty@wqad.com

Mon, Aug 23, 2021 at 3:02 PM

Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached for the response to your request. Let me know if you require anything further.

Thank you in advance Jill

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Date: Sun, Aug 22, 2021 at 11:51 AM

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Josh Lamberty

## Josh Lamberty

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August 23, 2021

Josh Lamberty WQAD News 8 VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Dear Mr. Lamberty:

We received your Freedom of Information (FOIA) request, sent August 22, 2021. Because August 22, 2021 was not a Sunday, your request is deemed received on the next business day, or August 23, 2021. You requested:

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The initial date for response is August 30, 2021. Upon initial review of the responsive documents, the District has determined that your request constitutes a Voluminous Request and is Unduly Burdensome.

I. Your Request Constitutes a "Voluminous Request" under FOIA Section 3.6

A "voluminous request" means a request that: (1) includes more than 5 individual requests for more than 5 different categories of records; or (2) includes a combination of individual requests for more than 5 different categories of records in a period of 20 business days; or (3) requires the compilation of more than 500 letter or legal-sized pages of public records, unless a single requested record exceeds 500 pages. See 5 ILCS 140(2)(h).

Please be advised that we are treating your request as a "voluminous request" under item (3) above. An initial search revealed 3,823 responsive emails, each constituting at least one page. This will require the compilation of more than five hundred pages in order to satisfy your request.

As the District is treating your request as a "voluminous request," Illinois FOIA requires that we notify you that:

- you have 10 business days from the date of this letter to specify whether you would like to amend your request so that it is no longer a "voluminous request;"
- if you do not reply within 10 business days, or if the request continues to be a "voluminous request," the District will respond in accordance with applicable provisions of FOIA, and will assess any fees permitted by FOIA Section 6;



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- the District has 5 business days after receipt of your reply or, if no reply, 5 business days from the last day for you to amend your request, to respond;
- the District may request an additional 10 business days to comply with your request;
- you have the right to ask the Illinois Attorney General's Public Access Counselor ("PAC")1 to review the District's "voluminous request" designation; and
- if you fail to accept or collect any responsive records, the District may still charge you for its response pursuant to FOIA Section 6, and failure to pay will be considered a debt due and owing to the District, which may be collected in accordance with applicable law.

#### 11. The Unduly Burdensome Nature of Your Request

As set forth above, your request would require the production of in excess of three thousand pages. Your request on its face is unduly burdensome. Each responsive email is subject to review and possible redaction for "private" information or other information that must be excluded under Illinois FOIA.

In view of the above, the District believes that compliance with your request would be unduly burdensome for the District, and that the burden on the District outweighs the public interest in the information which you have asked the District to search for, retrieve, and provide. Therefore, in compliance with FOIA Section 3(g), the District is extending to you an opportunity to attempt to clarify and narrow your request to manageable proportions.

If you do not reduce your request to a manageable scope, the District will exercise its right under Section 3(g) of FOIA to deny your request for these records.

Sincerely,

Tim Gronski, CSBO **FOIA Officer** Geneseo Community Unit School District No. 228

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Public Access Bureau, Office of the Attorney General, 500 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Springfield, IL 62706, publicaccess@atg.state.il.us, (217) 558-0486.



**Lamberty, Josh** <Josh.Lamberty@wqad.com>
To: Jill Hamer <jhamer@geneseoschools.org>

Tue, Aug 24, 2021 at 12:41 PM

Good afternoon,

After reviewing your response, I would like to amend my FOIA request to the following:

 Any and all work orders and other maintenance documentation showing status of maintenance for all football and soccer facilities, including gameday and practice facilities, between January 1, 2019 through August 20, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.

Thank you,

Josh Lamberty

# **Josh Lamberty**

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From: Jill Hamer < jhamer@geneseoschools.org>

Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 3:03 PM

To: Lamberty, Josh <Josh.Lamberty@wqad.com> Subject: Geneseo School District FOIA Request

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### Amended FOIA request.

Jill Hamer
Administrative Assistant to Superintendent
Geneseo CUSD #228
jhamer@geneseoschools.org
309-945-0404
fax: 309-945-0445

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Jill Hamer <jhamer@geneseoschools.org>

Thu, Sep 9, 2021 at 8:49 AM

To: "Lamberty, Josh" < Josh.Lamberty@wqad.com>

Good Morning,

Attached is the information you requested. Please confirm that this satisfies your FOIA request. This will appear on the October board meeting agenda once I receive your confirmation.

Thank you and have a good day.

Jill
Jill Hamer
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Jill Hamer <jhamer@geneseoschools.org>
To: "Lamberty, Josh" <Josh.Lamberty@wqad.com>

Tue, Sep 14, 2021 at 8:48 AM

Please respond.

Thank you
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Lamberty, Josh <Josh.Lamberty@wqad.com>
To: Jill Hamer <jhamer@geneseoschools.org>

Tue, Sep 14, 2021 at 9:23 AM

Jill,

My apologies for not having responded to you earlier. I have been out of the office with little access to email, and will continue to be away from work the remainder of this week. Yes, this satisfies my FOIA request.

What will be discussed during this agenda item during the October board meeting?

Thank you,

### Get Outlook for iOS

From: Jill Hamer < jhamer@geneseoschools.org>
Sent: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 8:48:39 AM
To: Lamberty, Josh < Josh.Lamberty@wqad.com>
Subject: Re: Geneseo School District FOIA Request

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Jill Hamer <jhamer@geneseoschools.org>
To: "Lamberty, Josh" <Josh.Lamberty@wqad.com>

Tue, Sep 14, 2021 at 9:27 AM

Thank you Josh. The email request and our response will appear on the agenda with no action taken. The board members and public will have access to your request included in the board packet and online.

Jill
Jill Hamer
Administrative Assistant to Superintendent
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September 28, 2021

Adam Brumbaugh, Superintendent Geneseo Community Unit School District 228

Dear Dr. Brumbaugh,

Pursuant to the state open records law, 5 Ill. Comp. Stat. 140/1 to 140/11.5, I write to request access to and a copy of a listing of all Geneseo Community Unit School District 228's employee's first and last names, e-mail address, title/position, and primary campus/department location. Please provide this information in an electronic format such as Excel or .csv format to this email address if possible. If your agency does not maintain these public records, please let me know who does and include the proper custodian's name and address.

I agree to pay any reasonable copying and postage fees. Please provide a receipt indicating the charges for each document.

As provided by the open records law, I will expect your response within five (5) working days. See 5 Ill. Comp. Stat. 140/3(c).

If you choose to deny this request, please provide a written explanation for the denial including a reference to the specific statutory exemption(s) upon which you rely. Also, please provide all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Janie Jordan janie@dataresearchpartners.com Data Research Partners LLC 506 Sunny Lane #A Austin, TX 78702



### **FOIA** request

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**Jill Hamer** <jhamer@geneseoschools.org>
To: janie@dataresearchpartners.com

Wed, Sep 29, 2021 at 1:37 PM

Per your request please find the attached document. Please confirm this information satisfies your request.

Thank you in advance

Jill
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Janie Jordan <janie@dataresearchpartners.com>
To: Jill Hamer <jhamer@geneseoschools.org>

Wed, Sep 29, 2021 at 1:55 PM

Dear Ms. Hamer,

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Janie Jordan

Data Research Partners LLC

Data Manager

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