From: Joseph Castagnino
To: Bruder-Brasseur, Candace L
Cc: Cartledge, Wendy B; Godley, Molly D; Rowland, Gillian C
Subject: Re: Boys Using Girls Bathrooms
Date: Thursday, May 25, 2023 8:41:09 AM

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So after 2 weeks you reach back to me with questions about my request? I'm not understanding why you and your organization constantly think that you can violate the law when it comes to Freedom of Information Act requests.

On Wed, May 24, 2023, 9:03 PM Bruder-Brasseur, Candace L <Candace.Bruder-Brasseur@beaufort.k12.sc.us> wrote:

> Dear Mr. Castagnino,
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> Please see the below responses to your May 10, 2023 FOIA request.
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> - **Any and all communication to the MRHS staff allowing students to use bathrooms assigned to a gender other than the one at birth:** *Please specify a date range so our IT department can run an email search responsive to this request. Subject to all applicable exemptions under FOIA, the District, after the necessary search/retrievable, will produce such communications if they exist.*
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> - **Name of person that drafted and approved this policy:** *The district is not in possession of a public document or record responsive to this request as no policy exists regarding bathroom usage in this context.* No written policy, as would constitute a record under FOIA, exits.
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> - **Details of the tracking and monitoring of these requests:** *Student education records are not public documents and are excluded from release per The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) and South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) SECTION 30-4-40 (4).* FOIA is a means of obtaining public records, not for providing narrative details related to a matter.
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> - **Exception to South Carolina Law that was granted to May River High School or Beaufort County School District to allow this violation of the law:** *Please send us the specific South Carolina law you are referring to.*

Regards,
Candace

On Wed, May 10, 2023, 11:24 AM Joseph Castagnino [redacted] wrote:

> Todd/Frank,
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> Yet another extremely disturbing piece of information has been given to me, and I have confirmed it with several students that attend May River High School, as well as some other folks. As if the constant distribution of obscene materials to minors was not enough, you are allowing "boys' to use "girls" bathrooms"
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> May River High School has an "unwritten" policy in place where a student that asks to use a girls bathroom because he wishes to, or "identifies as a girl" is being allowed to do so.
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> Please explain to me what authority you have under the current South Carolina Laws, to allow a boy to use a bathroom that is labeled for a girl? Also explain who gave you, or any staff at the school, the authority to take away a female's right to privacy because you have decided to implement an illegal and "woke" policy in your school.
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> Consider this a request under PPRA and FOIA that I am demanding the following:
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> - Any and all communication to the MRHS staff allowing students to use bathrooms assigned to a gender other than the one at birth
> - Name of person that drafted and approved this policy
> - Details of the tracking and monitoring of these requests
> - Exception to South Carolina Law that was granted to May River High School or Beaufort County School District to allow this violation of the law
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> Sheriff Tanner,
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> When is enough going to be enough? When are the laws of South Carolina and Beaufort

County going to be enforced in this county and in our schools?

There have been numerous examples of obscene and pornographic materials being distributed to minors in our schools, and several formal complaints made to the BCSD.

Ms.Barton,

Please have someone from the Office of The Governor Contact me IMMEDIATELY on this matter.

Thank you.