Note:

Please refer to the <u>Public Information Act Handbook</u>¹ from the Office of the Attorney General to view additional forms, including a step-by-step guide to Public Information Act Deadlines for Governmental Bodies (Part Seven), and a sample Notice Statement to Persons Whose Proprietary Information is Requested (Part Eight). See GBA(EXHIBIT)—A for a sample form regarding Board Member Election of Confidentiality for Certain Personal Information.

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#### **Exhibit A—Request for Information Form**

Note:

This sample request form and the attorney general's <u>Texas Public Information Act Information Request Form</u><sup>1</sup> may be used, but is not required, to request information from the District. A requester may use any form or format that complies with the requirements of the Public Information Act to submit a request for information to the District.

In accordance with GBAA(LEGAL) and the Texas Public Information Act, I request that the following District information be made available to me as copies or for my inspection. I agree to pay the duplication costs if the cost does not exceed \$40. I understand that if the cost will exceed \$40, I will receive an estimate of charges and will have the opportunity to modify or withdraw my request before any copies are made. I understand that the information I provide on this form is subject to public disclosure in accordance with law.

I understand that I may permit the District to redact responsive information the District considers confidential, without requesting a written decision from the attorney general. I understand that I am not required to provide such permission but doing so may streamline the handling of my request or reduce costs. If I agree to redactions in this request, as indicated below, I understand I may request the redacted information in a future information request if desired.

(	Public information requested Include description adequate to clarify request)	(0	pection only Check one)	req (C	opies uested Check one)	Number of copies requested	Copy format (Check option for paper or electronic)		Allow District to redact information that may be confidential under PIA exceptions?	
			Yes		Yes			Paper (mailed)		Yes
			No		No			Paper (will pick up)		No
								Electronic		
			Yes		Yes			Paper (mailed)		Yes
			No		No			Paper (will pick up)		No
								Electronic		

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		No		No			Paper (will pick up)		No	
							Electronic			
Name of person reques Phone: Mailing Address: City / State / Zip:										
Email address (if reque	sting	electroi	nic co	ору):						
This completed form shacceptable to the Distri		-	ente	d to the (	officer for pul	olic in	formation or i	n a m	anner	
For District's Internal	Use	Only								
From: Officer for Public	: Info	rmation								
To: Principal, depart	ment	head, o	r oth	er record	ds custodian					
Date:										
The District received the following actions no		•	•				(date). I	Pleas	e take	
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# ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Request for Inspection: If this information is readily available, please return this form indicating the place, dates, and times the requested information will be available for inperson inspection. If sensitive, confidential, voluminous, or electronic information is included, please contact the officer for public information for further instructions prior to disclosure.
If this information is not readily available for either inspection or duplication, please explain the circumstances preventing availability and indicate place, date, and time the requested information will be available for copies or inspection:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Texas Public Information Act Information Request Form: <a href="https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/governmental-bodies/responding-pia-request/public-information-request-form">https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/governmental-bodies/responding-pia-request/public-information-request-form</a>

## **Exhibit B—Response to Request for Information**

#### Note:

If the District receives a written request by U.S. mail and cannot adequately establish the actual date on which the District received the request, the written request is considered to have been received by the District on the third business day after the date of the postmark on a properly addressed request. *Gov't Code* 552.301(a-1)

Forms prescribed by the attorney general for use when redacting public information can be found on the <u>attorney general's website</u>.<sup>1</sup>

**Note to administrator:** Please remove the bold instructions below prior to delivering to a requestor.

Fron	n: Officer for Public Information
To:	Person requesting information
Date	::
Your	request for public information was received by the District on (date).
	The information will be available for inspection at (location) on (date) at (time).
	Copies of the information you requested are ready and may be picked up at (location) between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The charge
	for copies you requested will be \$ Please bring exact change if paying with cash.
	Copies of the information you requested are hereby being provided on (date) by (method of disclosure, for exam-
	ple, mail, email, hand delivery, facsimile, overnight or express mail.). Enclosed is an invoice for charges of copies. Please make payment as indicated immediately upon receipt.
	The information is not readily available because
	. The information will be available at
	(time) on (date).
	All or some of the information you requested is confidential or otherwise protected from disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act (PIA). This information includes:

[Sel	lect from the following as applicable:]
	In accordance with the PIA, the District has asked for a decision from the attorney general about whether the information you requested is within an exception to public disclosure. Attached to this form, you will find a copy of our written communication to the attorney general asking for the decision. If our written communication to the attorney general discloses the requested information, that information will have been redacted from the copy you receive. [If checking this item, attach to this form a copy of the District's communication to the attorney general, with redactions if legally authorized.]
	In accordance with the PIA, the District has made redactions required by law that do not require the District to request a ruling from the attorney general. Attached to this form, you will find the required form notice provided by the attorney general's office that is required to accompany certain responsive information to your request that has been redacted. [If checking this item, attach to this form a copy of the form notice prescribed by the attorney general, which may be downloaded from the attorney general's website.]
	In accordance with the PIA or a previous determination issued by the attorney general for the precise information requested, the District has made redactions required by law that do not require the District to request a ruling from the attorney general. Attached to this form or provided below is the previous determination by the attorney general or the PIA provision concerning the redacted information:
	item, you may also attach a copy of the specific previous determination issued by the attorney general for the exact information requested.]
	The information you requested does not exist.
	Some of the information you requested does not exist. This information includes:
Offic	cer for Public Information:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Attorney General of Texas, Redacting Public Information: <a href="https://www.texasattorneygen-eral.gov/open-government/governmental-bodies/responding-pia-request/redacting-public-information">https://www.texasattorneygen-eral.gov/open-government/governmental-bodies/responding-pia-request/redacting-public-information</a>

## **Exhibit C—Letter of Estimated Charges**

Please refer to the <u>cost estimator tool</u><sup>1</sup> on the attorney general's website for information. The cost estimator will automatically calculate the charges based on your inputs and generate a sample letter to the requestor. The cost estimator is based on charges established by the attorney general. Consult your school attorney if your charges are based on charges established by the District.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Texas Attorney General, Cost Estimator Tool: <a href="https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/og/public-information-cost-estimate-model">https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/og/public-information-cost-estimate-model</a>