



# CRYSTAL LAKE ELEMENTARY DISTRICT #47

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John Pletz  
7405 Manor Road  
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RE: Freedom of Information Request

Dear Mr. Pletz:

On May 9, 2018, the School District received a Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request from you. You requested the following information below:

- See Attachment: (Dancing Bearded Man in a Dress – Singing)
  - Video/movie shown to the children at the Wehde Early Childhood Center of a bearded man dressed in a woman's dress saying or singing something about how you can be whatever you want to be, in as a man or woman or man who likes to dress up as a woman.
  - All videos or movies that were shown to children on or about April 27, 2018. Any and all movies that deal with anything besides the legislated learning subjects and requirements.
  - The names/titles of all movies/videos shown at any time during an and all learning times. Before, during, after scheduled school/teaching times. Names/titles of all movies/videos shown outside the publicly tax payer funded learning facilities. Including all other tax payer funded buildings, such as the library, park district or outside organization, such as the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, pro-choice, or any other place that would be used to disseminate the information that this type of movie/video is intended to spread.

The date that you have mentioned was the Alphabet Dancing Day for the afternoon Wehde students. It was found that one of the songs that was played by the request of a student was from the movie "The Amazing Showman" titled "This is Me". A movie clip of this can be found on YouTube. In the movie, the character singing the song is a bearded woman.

This letter is a follow-up to our phone call in which you were able to view the referenced song. This fulfills our obligation to your FOIA request. I would appreciate acknowledgement that you received this email and successfully opened the document.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me 815-788-5000.

Sincerely,

Cathy Nelson  
Assistant Superintendent of Business  
Crystal Lake School District 47

*Educational Excellence for All Students is Our Passion and Commitment.*

**REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS  
PURSUANT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (5ILCS 140)**

Date of Request: 5/9/2018 FOIA Record # \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: John PLETZ Organization: CITIZEN  
Address: 7405 MANOR RD. Phone Number: 815-715-5207  
CRYSTAL LAKE, IL. 60014 (John's cell  
jrpletz@gmail.com.

**I HEREBY REQUEST ACCESS TO THE FOLLOWING RECORDS:**

See ATTACHMENT: (DANCING BEARDED MAN IN A DRESS - SINGING)

Within 5 business days of the District receiving your request, you are entitled to a response, or notice that the district is in need of addition processing time (not to exceed an additional 5 business days). When our response is complete, we will contact you.

The District's response, including all supporting documents, and FOIA request with all submitted information, will be posted online under "Freedom of Information" on the District 47 website. District 47 provides this service as a public courtesy for no fee. Documents will be posted within 10 business days from our response to your request.

Fees will apply after the initial limited amount of black and white copies are provided. Actual cost of color or abnormal size copies will apply.

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

The District's response and records were accessed by:  In House Inspection  Pick-up  Mail  Fax  Email

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

AMT REC'D: \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

FOIA Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_



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# Wehde Early Childhood Center

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Video/Movie shown to children:

I would like FOIA any and all information about, a video/movie shown to the children at the Wehde Early Childhood Center of a bearded man dressed in a woman's dress saying or singing something about how you can be whatever you want to be, in as a man or woman or man who likes to dress up as a woman.

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