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November 23, 2020

Mr. Corky Heath
90 Talcott Ave
Crystal Lake, IL. 60014

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Dear Mr. Heath:



On November 17, 2020, Crystal Lake School District No. 47 received a Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") Request from you via email in which you requested the following:

- Copies of the text messages and emails received by the entire Board members and administration during and days prior the November 16, 2020 Board meeting. Dr. Les stated she has received texts and emails from teachers stating their opinions on the snow day changes. If she can receive this information during a closed public comment time during a public meeting to influence her decisions, the public has a right to know exactly what was said and written. Additional clarification was provided in requesting information ten days prior, from November 6th through the Meeting night of November 16, 2020.

Response: The requested records that are available under FOIA are attached, except for records exempt from disclosure pursuant to FOIA sections 7(1)(b) (private information) and 7(1)(c) (personal information which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of person privacy). 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(b), (c).

- The email addresses and cellphone/ smartphone numbers, both district and personal, of the entire Board of education and senior administration officials, so that the public may contact them during future meetings. This will allow for fair and equitable opportunities to all community members to provide input and opinions. Additional information was provided in clarification to Senior administration officials to include Dr. Hinz, Ms. Moran, Ms. Barr, and Ms. Bourne.

300 Commerce Dr. Crystal Lake, IL 60014 815.788.5000

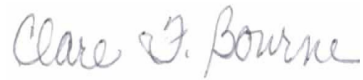
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In the event any part of your request has been denied, you may appeal this decision to the Illinois Attorney General -Public Access Bureau, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, 217-558-0486 [publicaccess@atg.state.il.us]. You may also appeal this decision by filing suit for injunctive relief in the circuit court for McHenry County, Illinois.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Clare F. Bourne".

Clare F. Bourne
Freedom of Information Officer
Crystal Lake School District 47

From: **Comcast Pop** <corkyheath@comcast.net>

Date: Mon, Nov 16, 2020 at 10:30 PM

Subject: Fioa request

To: <CFBourne@d47.org>

Ms. Bourne,

I don't now have access to a printer and the online form doesn't seem to work to fill out online. If there is an online form that can be completed please provide instructions to complete it.

I request the following information:

1. Copies of the text messages and emails received by the entire Board members and administration during and days prior the November 16, 2020 Board meeting. Dr. Les stated she has received texts and emails from teachers stating their opinions on the snow day changes. If she can receive this information during a closed public comment time during a public meeting to influence her decisions, the public has a right to know exactly what was said and written.
2. The email addresses and cellphone/ smartphone numbers, both district and personal, of the entire Board of education and senior administration officials, so that the the public may contact them during future meetings. This will allow for fair and equitable opportunities to all community members to provide input and opinions.
3. This request includes both personal and district provided devices. Personal information and texts not related to school and board matters are not requested.

Thank you for your time. Please let me know if anything additional is required to complete my request. I look forward to the response in the five days from now.

Thank you,

Corky Heath
90 Talcott Ave.
Crystal Lake. IL 60014
847-516-4848

Sent from my iPad

On Nov 17, 2020, at 9:12 AM, Bourne, Clare <cfbourne@d47.org> wrote:

Good Morning Mr. Heath:

I am in receipt of your FOIA request but need some clarification on two parts. First, your time frame specifically for "days prior the November 16, 2020 Board meeting" How many days are you requesting? "Prior" is too general and would appreciate a specific number of days. And the second clarification I request is "senior administration officials"? Who specifically are you asking for information from and who do you qualify as senior administration?

I appreciate your assistance.

Regards,

Clare Bourne

*Executive Administrative Assistant
to the Superintendent*



CORE Center

300 Commerce Dr.

Crystal Lake, IL 60014

815.788.5012

Tue, Nov 17,
9:22 AM (1
day ago)

Comcast Pop

to me

Ms. Bourne,

Ten day prior from November 6th through the Meeting night of November 16, 2020.

Senior administration officials: Dr. Hinz, Ms. Moran, Ms. Barr, you, and whoever worked on the topic of snow days/ e learning days.

Thanks.

Corky Heath

Sent from my iPad



Monday 8:55 PM

Nope. Never asked!!!

Thank you!!!

Once again, thanks for ALL you do to support teachers♥

Once this pandemic clears, I never want to teach remotely again!!🙄



I'm sure you'll be fabulous.
Thinking of you!

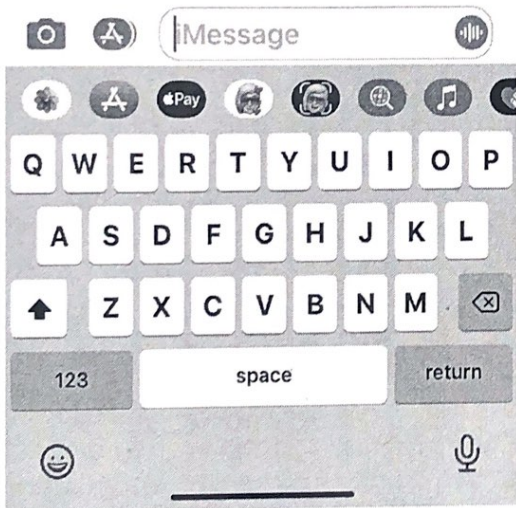
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Thanks, Betsy!

Monday 8:59 PM

THANK YOU!! We have NEVER heard about the snow day crap!

I talked to a few also...NO ONE heard about that!



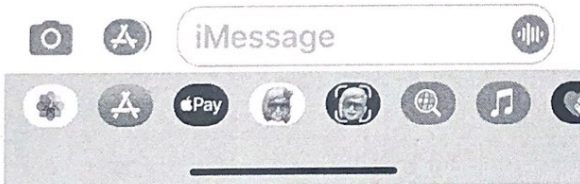


Monday 8:54 PM


We were not talked to about it from cleta!

All teachers should be asked. You are so right. Thank you! Kids won't have their devices at home. And it's not that easy to come up with quality planning quickly. I'm not opposed to e-learning but I can't believe no teachers gave input and it's making the decision for all of us.

It was the first we even heard about it. On the agenda. Never even knew it was being discussed.



Thank you! Inbox ☆

 Zilm, Melissa Nov 16 to Betsy ▾

Thank you so much for speaking up for the teachers! There have been so many times this year that we have not been consulted or been given the opportunity to provide feedback or have input on many huge decisions that have been made. I can't thank you enough for being a consistent advocate for the teachers and students in our community. You always have the best intentions and speak with your heart. There are many happy teachers out there tonight due to your bravery. Thank you for giving us a voice. Happy Thanksgiving! We are all so grateful for you!

--
Missy Zilm
Kindergarten Teacher



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Re: Yay, you!!!! ☺



Moran, Christina <camoran@d47.org>
to Shirley ▾

Mon, Nov 16, 9:30 PM (2 days ago) ☆ ↶ ⋮

So very thoughtful of you to send my way!! I greatly appreciate your perspective and offer of support. More to come indeed!

Christina

On Mon, Nov 16, 2020 at 9:10 PM Sternberg, Shirley <sssternberg@d47.org> wrote:

Hi Christina!

I just listened to the board meeting most importantly as a parent, but also a former special ed para, substitute, and CORE employee who truly loves geeking out on school supply ordering...and just want to say...

Yay, you! Poised, eloquent, ready for anything!

Let me know if I can help with a spreadsheet for snow vs.cold days...

Yes, rolling my eyes little at how much discussion took place over that?! But would happily help with that task...

Way to go! Hope you get some rest tonight!

Shirley Sternberg

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