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Subject: FOIA Request – Contracts, Staffing, and Instructional Decision-Making Records

To Whom It May Concern,

Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting the following records from Decatur Public Schools District 61.

1. Vendor Contracts & Payments

All records from January 1, 2022 to present showing contracts, agreements, or invoices with any external vendors or consultants providing professional development, curriculum support, instructional coaching, equity, SEL, or strategic planning services - including total amounts paid and scope of work descriptions.

2. Central Office Staffing

Current and historical organizational charts (2022–present), job titles and descriptions for all positions in Curriculum & Instruction, Teaching & Learning, and Instructional Coaching, including salary and benefits for each position.

3. Roadmap 2030

All documents, presentations, communications, and vendor agreements related to Roadmap 2030 - including any contracts with outside consultants or architectural firms engaged to support strategic planning or master facility planning, and any analysis related to school consolidation, program changes, or enrollment projections.

4. Board Materials

Board of Education packets from 2022 to present that include vendor payments, contracts, or financial reports related to consulting or professional services.

I request records be provided in electronic format. If any portion is considered unduly burdensome, please contact me to narrow the scope rather than deny the request.

Thank you,

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