

WOODRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT 68
Administration Office

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. William Schmidt, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

DATE: August 17, 2026

SUBJECT: **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – BOARD REPORTS,
ANNOUNCEMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

The Illinois School Code (10-6) requires that “The Board President or Superintendent shall report to the Board at each regular meeting any requests made under the Freedom of Information Act and shall report the status of the response

Enclosed with the Board Agenda is a report on the status of such requests.

All that is necessary to comply with the Act is for the Board President to note for purpose of the public record that the Administration has reported to the Board of Education requests made under the Freedom of Information Act and the status or the requests, and that a copy of the report as presented will be attached to the official minutes.

Date(s) Submitted	Date Responded	Requester	Company
July 31, 2026	August 6, 2026	Georgia Simmons	The Data Branch
August 3, 2026	August 7, 2026	Megan Thompson	The Data Branch
August 6, 2026	August 7, 2026	Joel Montgomery	The Data Branch
August 6, 2026	August 7, 2026	Evan Granger	The Data Branch
August 6, 2026	August, 2026	Robert Mercer	The Data Branch
August 13, 2026	August 14, 2026	Leah Townsend	The Data Branch

WOODRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 68
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR RECORDS UNDER THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION ACT**

DATE: August 6, 2026
TO: Georgia Simmons
The Data Branch Research Team
georgia@databranchus.com

The District 68 Freedom of Information Officer, Dr. William Schmidt, received your request for public records pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1, et. Seq. (the FOIA).

We preface this response by advising you that the Illinois FOIA imposes no obligation on a public body to create a record in response to a request for information under the Act.

Date Requested: July 31, 2026
Date Responded: August 6, 2026

Request:

From: Georgia Simmons <georgia@databranchus.com>
Date: July 31, 2026 at 7:27:38 AM CDT
To: Schmidtw@woodridge68.org
Subject: FOIA Request - Woodridge School District 68
Reply-To: georgia@databranchus.com

Hello,

The Data Branch is submitting a public records request for vendor procurement records.
Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140)

Scope of Request:

All products from: National Time & Signal and Pyramid Time Systems

We are looking for records from 2022 to now that capture the pricing details of any engagement, which may include (where applicable) subscription terms, licensing fees, per-unit costs, and implementation charges.

This request covers records such as:

- Contracts, service agreements, order forms
- Purchase orders relating to the listed vendors
- RFP or solicitation documents
- Task orders issued against cooperative purchasing agreements

We are flexible on format and can accept records in whichever way your office already keeps them, such as:

- Spreadsheet exports (preferred)
- PDF or Word documents
- Standard ERP or finance system reports

- Any existing summary-level purchasing records your office already maintains

Where portions of the requested records may be withheld under an applicable exemption, we ask that all reasonably segregable non-exempt portions still be produced.

This request *is* being made for commercial purposes. We are committed to complying with any applicable procedures Woodridge School District 68 follows for public records requests, and we are happy to refine or scope down the request if that would make fulfillment more manageable.

Responsive records should be sent to Georgia Simmons at the following:

Email: georgia@databranchus.com

Phone: (302) 585-3132

Address: 1111B S Governors Ave STE 21033, Dover, DE 19904

We appreciate your help and look forward to a prompt response. If this request belongs with another agency or department, please forward it to the appropriate custodian or let us know. Thank you for your cooperation.

With thanks,

Georgia Simmons

The Data Branch Research Team

Where these records go: The Data Branch is building a national reference of public purchasing records gathered from public sources across the country. When it launches at thedatabranch.com, the app will help public agencies compare what peer agencies paid for similar products and services. Records from your agency will contribute to this shared resource. Please feel free to share it with your purchasing or finance team.

The District responds to your request as follows:

The requested information was searched, and we have not records within the scope of the FOIA.

The FOIA specifically provides that a public body is not obligated to prepare a public record for the purpose of responding to a FOIA request. 5 ILCS 140/1. The FOIA only requires that a public body provide existing non-exempt records in response to requests.

To the extent you interpret the responses in this letter to be a denial of your requests, you have the right to have the denials to your requests reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to: Public Access Counselor, Office of the Attorney General, 500 South 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62706, Fax: 217-782-1396, E-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us, Phone: 1-877-299-3642.

If you choose to file a Request for Review the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days after the date of the

denial letter. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original request for documents and the denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC. You also have the right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the state circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

Dr. William Schmidt

Woodridge School District No. 68

Freedom of Information Office

WOODRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 68
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR RECORDS UNDER THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION ACT**

DATE: August 7, 2026
TO: Megan Thompson
The Data Branch Research Team
megan@databranchus.com

The District 68 Freedom of Information Officer, Dr. William Schmidt, received your request for public records pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1, et. Seq. (the FOIA).

We preface this response by advising you that the Illinois FOIA imposes no obligation on a public body to create a record in response to a request for information under the Act.

Date Requested: August 6, 2026

Date Responded: August 7, 2026

Request:

From: **Megan Thompson** <megan@databranchusa.com>
Date: Mon, Aug 3, 2026 at 7:27 AM
Subject: FOIA Request - Woodridge School District 68
To: schmidtw@woodridge68.org <schmidtw@woodridge68.org>

Hello,

The Data Branch is submitting a public records request for records relating to vendor purchases. Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140)

Scope of Request:

All products from: Apptegy, Finalsity, and ParentSquare

We are interested in records from 2022 to now that document the financial terms of any engagement with the vendors listed above. Where available, this may include per-unit pricing, subscription or licensing fees, and any implementation or onboarding costs.

This request covers records such as:

- Contracts, service agreements, order forms
- Purchase orders relating to the listed vendors
- RFP or solicitation documents
- Task orders issued against cooperative purchasing agreements

To keep this easy on your office, we are happy to receive records in whichever of the following formats works best:

- Spreadsheet exports (preferred)
- PDF or Word documents
- Standard ERP or finance system reports

- Any summary-level purchasing records your office already maintains

To the extent any portion of the requested records is exempt from disclosure, we ask that the remaining non-exempt segregable portions be released.

Please note that this request *is* for commercial purposes. We are glad to follow any applicable policies or procedures Woodridge School District 68 has in place for handling public records requests, and we are open to narrowing, clarifying, or otherwise adjusting the request to ease the burden on your office.

Please send records to:

Megan Thompson

Email: megan@databranchusa.com

Phone: (302) 585-3132

Address: 1111B S Governors Ave STE 21033, Dover, DE 19904

Thank you for your time and assistance with this request. If it has been misdirected, kindly forward it to the appropriate records custodian or let us know where it should be sent. We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Megan Thompson

The Data Branch Research Team

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The district responds to your request as follows:

Woodridge School District sent requested information by email to megan@databranchusa.com.

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Dr. William Schmidt

Woodridge School District No. 68

Freedom of Information Office

WOODRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 68
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR RECORDS UNDER THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION ACT**

DATE: August 7, 2026
TO: Joel Montgomery
The Data Branch Research Team
joel@databranchus.com

The District 68 Freedom of Information Officer, Dr. William Schmidt, received your request for public records pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1, et. Seq. (the FOIA).

We preface this response by advising you that the Illinois FOIA imposes no obligation on a public body to create a record in response to a request for information under the Act.

Date Requested: August 6, 2026

Date Responded: August 7, 2026

Request:

On Thu, Aug 6, 2026 at 7:27 AM Joel Montgomery <joel@databranchus.com> wrote:

Dear Records Custodian,

The Data Branch is submitting a public records request for records pertaining to vendor procurement and purchasing activity.

Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140)

Scope of Request:

All products from: Brandon Industries, Capital StreetScapes, Custom Products Corporation, Hall Signs, and Signature StreetScapes

We are seeking records from 2022 to now that reflect the pricing structure of any such engagement, including (if available), per-unit costs, subscription or licensing terms, and/or implementation fees.

We are looking for the following types of records:

- Contracts, service agreements, order forms
- Purchase orders relating to the above vendors
- RFP or solicitation documents
- Task orders issued against cooperative purchasing agreements

We are flexible on format and can accept records in whichever way your office already keeps them, such as:

- Spreadsheet exports (preferred)
- PDF or Word documents
- Standard ERP or finance system reports
- Any existing summary-level purchasing records your office already maintains

If any part of the requested records is exempt, kindly redact only the exempt material and provide the remaining segregable portions.

Please note that this request is for commercial purposes. We are glad to follow any applicable policies or procedures Woodridge School District 68 has in place for handling public records

requests, and we are open to narrowing, clarifying, or otherwise adjusting the request to ease the burden on your office.

Please send responsive records by replying to this email or to Joel Montgomery at the following:

Email: joel@databranchus.com

Phone: (302) 585-3132

Address: 1111B S Governors Ave STE 21033, Dover, DE 19904

We appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to your prompt response. If this request has been directed to the wrong agency or department, kindly advise or forward it to the appropriate custodian. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Joel Montgomery

The Data Branch

The District responds to your request as follows:

Woodridge School District has not used the vendors listed in the request. This information was sent email to joel@databranchus.com on 08/07/2026.

The FOIA specifically provides that a public body is not obligated to prepare a public record for the purpose of responding to a FOIA request. 5 ILCS 140/1. The FOIA only requires that a public body provide existing non-exempt records in response to requests.

To the extent you interpret the responses in this letter to be a denial of your requests, you have the right to have the denials to your requests reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to: Public Access Counselor, Office of the Attorney General, 500 South 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois, 62706, Fax: 217-782-1396, E-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us, Phone: 1-877-299-3642.

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Dr. William Schmidt

Woodridge School District No. 68

Freedom of Information Office

WOODRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 68
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR RECORDS UNDER THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION ACT**

DATE: August 7, 2026
TO: Evan Granger
The Data Branch Research Team
evan@databranchus.com

The District 68 Freedom of Information Officer, Dr. William Schmidt, received your request for public records pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1, et. Seq. (the FOIA).

We preface this response by advising you that the Illinois FOIA imposes no obligation on a public body to create a record in response to a request for information under the Act.

Date Requested: August 6, 2026

Date Responded: August 7, 2026

Request:

On Thu, Aug 6, 2026 at 7:27 AM Evan Granger <evan@databranchus.com> wrote:

Hello,

The Data Branch is writing to submit a public records request regarding vendor procurement records. Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140)

Scope of Request:

All products from: Bobrick, Excel Dryer, Georgia Pacific, Kimberly Clark, and World Dryer

Our goal is to identify records from 2022 to now that show the pricing arrangements associated with these vendors, such as licensing or subscription terms, per-unit costs, and any implementation or setup fees that may apply.

The types of records we are interested in include:

- Contracts, service agreements, and order forms
- Purchase orders associated with the above vendors
- RFP or solicitation documents
- Task orders issued under cooperative purchasing agreements

To keep this easy on your office, we are happy to receive records in whichever of the following formats works best:

- Spreadsheet exports (preferred)
- PDF or Word documents
- Standard ERP or finance system reports
- Any summary-level purchasing records your office already maintains

To the extent any portion of the requested records is exempt from disclosure, we ask that the remaining non-exempt segregable portions be released.

Please note that this request *is* for commercial purposes. We are glad to follow any applicable policies or procedures Woodridge School District 68 has in place for handling public records requests, and we are open to narrowing, clarifying, or otherwise adjusting the request to ease the burden on your office.

Responsive records can be sent to Evan Granger at the following:

Email: evan@databranchus.com

Phone: (302) 585-3132

Address: 1111B S Governors Ave STE 21033, Dover, DE 19904

Thank you for your attention to this request and we look forward to a prompt reply. If this office is not the correct custodian, please forward the request to the right agency or department, or advise us where to direct it. We appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you,
Evan Granger
The Data Branch

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The District responds to your request as follows:

Woodridge School District has not used the vendors listed in the request. This information was sent email to evan@databranchus.com on 08/07/2026.

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Dr. William Schmidt
Woodridge School District No. 68
Freedom of Information Office

WOODRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 68
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR RECORDS UNDER THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION ACT**

DATE: August 7, 2026
TO: Robert Mercer
The Data Branch Research Team
robert@databranchus.com

The District 68 Freedom of Information Officer, Dr. William Schmidt, received your request for public records pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1, et. Seq. (the FOIA).

We preface this response by advising you that the Illinois FOIA imposes no obligation on a public body to create a record in response to a request for information under the Act.

Date Requested: August 6, 2026

Date Responded: August 7, 2026

Request:

On Thu, Aug 6, 2026 at 7:27 AM Robert Mercer <robert@databranchusa.com> wrote:

Hello,

The Data Branch is submitting a public records request for vendor procurement records.

Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140)

Scope of Request:

All products from: dataminr, recorded future, and Shadow Dragon

We are interested in records from 2022 to now that document the financial terms of any engagement with the vendors listed above. Where available, this may include per-unit pricing, subscription or licensing fees, and any implementation or onboarding costs.

Records we are looking for include:

- Contracts, service agreements, order forms
- Purchase orders relating to the above vendors
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To keep this easy on your office, we are happy to receive records in whichever of the following formats works best:

- Spreadsheet exports (preferred)
- PDF or Word documents
- Standard ERP or finance system reports
- Any summary-level purchasing records your office already maintains

If any part of the requested records is exempt, kindly redact only the exempt material and provide the remaining segregable portions.

For full transparency, this request *is* for commercial purposes. We will gladly adhere to any policies or procedures Woodridge School District 68 has in place for public records requests, and are open to narrowing, clarifying, or modifying the request to make fulfillment easier on your end.

Responsive records should be sent to Robert Mercer at the following:

Email: robert@databranchusa.com

Phone: (302) 585-3132

Address: 1111B S Governors Ave STE 21033, Dover, DE 19904

Thank you in advance for your time and attention. If this request has reached the wrong agency or department, please let us know or forward it to the appropriate records custodian. We appreciate your cooperation.

Best regards,

Robert Mercer

The Data Branch

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The District responds to your request as follows:

Woodridge School District has not used the vendors listed in the request. This information was sent email to robert@databranchusa.com on 08/07/2026.

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Dr. William Schmidt

Woodridge School District No. 68

Freedom of Information Office

WOODRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 68
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR RECORDS UNDER THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION ACT**

DATE: August 14, 2026
TO: Leah Townsend
The Data Branch Research Team
leah@databranchus.com

The District 68 Freedom of Information Officer, Dr. William Schmidt, received your request for public records pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1, et. Seq. (the FOIA).

We preface this response by advising you that the Illinois FOIA imposes no obligation on a public body to create a record in response to a request for information under the Act.

Date Requested: August 13, 2026
Date Responded: August 14, 2026

Request:

From: Leah Townsend <leah@databranchusa.com>
Date: Thu, Aug 13, 2026 at 4:43 PM
Subject: FOIA Request - Woodridge School District 68
To: schmidtw@woodridge68.org <schmidtw@woodridge68.org>

Hello,

The Data Branch is submitting a public records request for records relating to vendor purchases. Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140)

Scope of Request:

All products from: BusRight, Edulog (Education Logistics), Pathwise, transfinder, and Tyler Technologies, Inc.

We are interested in records from 2022 to now that document the financial terms of any engagement with the vendors listed above. Where available, this may include per-unit pricing, subscription or licensing fees, and any implementation or onboarding costs.

The types of records we are interested in include:

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We are glad to accept records in whatever format your office finds easiest to produce, including:

- Spreadsheet exports (preferred)
- PDF or Word documents
- Standard ERP or finance system reports
- Any summary-level purchasing records already maintained by your office

To the extent any portion of the requested records is exempt from disclosure, we ask that the remaining non-exempt segregable portions be released.

This request *is* being submitted for commercial purposes. We are willing to work within whatever procedures Woodridge School District 68 uses for handling such requests, and are happy to clarify, narrow, or adjust the scope to reduce the burden on your office.

Records may be sent directly to Leah Townsend at the following:

Email: leah@databranchusa.com

Phone: (302) 585-3132

Address: 2810 N Church St STE 89774, Wilmington, DE 19802

Thank you for your time and assistance with this request. If it has been misdirected, kindly forward it to the appropriate records custodian or let us know where it should be sent. We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Leah Townsend

The Data Branch

The district responds to your request as follows:

Woodridge School District sent requested information by email to leah@databranchusa.com.

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Dr. William Schmidt

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