RIVERSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT 96

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SENT BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Richard Doty
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Dear Mr. Doty:

On October 29, 2026, the District received your requests for records, pursuant to the Illinois *Freedom of Information Act*, 5 ILCS 140/*et seq*. The requests were as follows:

> ***Item 1 — Trip Leader Communications With WorldStrides, Any Account***
> *I request all communications between Ms. Venegas, Ms. Rebecca Kos, or Mr. Robert Brown and any representative of WorldStrides, Lakeland Tours, LLC, or any affiliated entity, including Ms. Tucker, from September 22, 2026 through the date of this request, that concern the D.C. trip, District students or families, the use of District facilities, or any approval, direction, limit, or requirement of the Superintendent, the Board of Education, or District administration, regardless of the account or device used, including personal e-mail accounts.*
> ***Item 2 — Direction on Promoting the D.C. Trip***
> *I request records, from August 1, 2026 through the date of this request, of any direction, decision, guidance, limit, or requirement communicated to District staff by the Board of Education, any Board member, the Superintendent, or building administration concerning promotion of the D.C. trip, inviting students to participate in it, or hosting meetings for families about it; and communications among the Superintendent, any Board member, Principal Christopher Harvalis, Assistant Principal Katie Kayastha, Ms. Venegas, Ms. Kos, or Mr. Brown concerning those subjects. I do not request the minutes of any closed session.*
> ***Item 3- WorldStrides Communications With Administration and the Board***
> *I request all communications between any representative of WorldStrides, Lakeland Tours, LLC, or any affiliated entity and the Superintendent, Principal Harvalis, Assistant Principal Kayastha, or any Board member, and any WorldStrides materials provided to any of them, directly or through District staff, from August 1, 2026 through the date of this request.*

The District now timely responds to your FOIA request, in accordance with the *Illinois Freedom of Information Act* (5 ILCS 140/1, *et seq.*) as follows:

Request 1: There are no records responsive to your request.

Request 2: See attached responsive record.

Request 3: To the extent you seek records from August 1, 2026, through October 22, 2026, your request is denied as unduly burdensome, as all responsive records, to the extent they exist, were produced in response to your October 22, 2026, request. With regard to your request for records generated after October 22, 2026, there are no records responsive to your request.

The person responsible for the decisions above is the undersigned. You are hereby notified that you have the right to request a review of the decisions above by the Office of the Attorney General's Public Access Counselor, who can be contacted as follows:

Public Access Counselor, Office of the Attorney General
500 South 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701
Phone: (877) 299-3642 / Fax: (217) 782-1396
E-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us

You also have the right to judicial review of this decision under Section 11 of *FOIA*, 5 ILCS 140/11.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this correspondence, please let me know.

Sincerely,

RIVERSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT 96

By: Martha Ryan Toye
Dr. Martha Ryan-Toye, Superintendent
Freedom of Information Officer