

Shawwna Rule

From: Todd Hellrigel
Sent: Wednesday, October 1, 2025 12:25 PM
To: Shawwna Rule
Subject: FW: FOIA Request- High Schools Rewards
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Sent: Wednesday, October 1, 2025 12:25 PM
To: 'foia@peoriastandard.com' <foia@peoriastandard.com>
Subject: RE: FOIA Request- High Schools Rewards

Hello,
Please find the attached response to your FOIA request below.
Todd

From: foia@peoriastandard.com <foia@peoriastandard.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 1, 2025 9:13 AM
To: Todd Hellrigel <toddh@midwestcentral.org>
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To whom it may concern,

I am a news reporter from Peoria Standard, a media organization committed to providing comprehensive and accurate news coverage on local governmental affairs. I am requesting the following records under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, preferably in electronic format:

- Names of newly-inducted National Honor Society members from your high schools
- Names of National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) finalists, if any. from your high schools
- Names of National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) winners-- including Semifinalists, Commended Scholars, etc. from your high schools

As a member of the media, I am involved in gathering and reporting news to the public. Access to public records is essential for me to fulfill my professional responsibilities, which include holding public institutions accountable and providing transparency to the public. Given my role in disseminating information, I believe I am eligible for a fee waiver as a media professional.

Please let me know if you have any questions,

Owen Wang,

Peoria Standard