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## Re: FOIA Request- Illinois School District last 5 years graduates

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**Merryl Brownlow** <mbrownlow@palos128.org>  
To: news@southcooknews.com  
Cc: Laura Kriha <lkriha@palos128.org>

Wed, Jun 18, 2025 at 3:58 PM

Hello Mr. Wang,  
Please see the attached response to your request.  
Respectfully,  
Merryl B. Brownlow, Ed.D.  
Superintendent  
Palos Heights School District #128  
12809 S. McVickers Avenue  
Palos Heights, IL 60463  
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*"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."* — Mahatma Gandhi

On Wed, Jun 18, 2025 at 10:28AM <news@southcooknews.com> wrote:

To whom it may concern,

I am a news reporter from South Cook News, a media organization committed to providing comprehensive and accurate news coverage on local governmental affairs.

A list of all graduates in the past 5 school years with the following fields:

- Graduation years
- Names
- Hometown
- Gender

Please let me know if you have any questions,

Owen Wang,

South Cook News

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*Merryl B. Brownlow, Ed.D.*  
Superintendent

June 18, 2025

Oscar Wang  
[news@southcooknews.com](mailto:news@southcooknews.com)

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request**

Dear Mr. Wang,

I am writing in response to the FOIA received as outlined below.

**Received June 18, 2025**

*I am a news reporter from South Cook News, a media organization committed to providing comprehensive and accurate news coverage on local governmental affairs.*

*A list of all graduates in the past 5 school years with the following fields:*

- Graduation years
- Names
- Hometown
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*Please let me know if you have any questions,*

**Response**

The District does not have records responsive to your request. We do not maintain a student directory and given that the information relates to students it is exempt from disclosure pursuant to Section 7.5(r) (information prohibited from disclosure pursuant to ISSRA).

To the extent that your requests have been denied in whole or in part, you may seek review of the District's response by the Illinois Attorney General – Public Access Bureau, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, 217-558-0486 [[publicaccess@atg.state.il.us](mailto:publicaccess@atg.state.il.us)]. You may also appeal this decision by filing suit for injunctive relief in the circuit court for Cook County, Illinois.

Sincerely,

*Merryl B. Brownlow*

Merryl B. Brownlow, Ed.D.  
FOIA Officer