

Shawanna Rule

From: Todd Hellrigel
Sent: Monday, February 9, 2026 11:11 AM
To: Shawanna Rule
Subject: Fw: Freedom Of Information Request

Please include this in the BOE packet.

Thanks,
Todd

From: Todd Hellrigel <toddh@midwestcentral.org>
Sent: Monday, February 9, 2026 11:10 AM
To: Michael Henry <michaelfhenry@live.com>
Subject: Re: Freedom Of Information Request

Hello Michael,

We are in receipt of your recent FOIA request. Midwest Central has no documents responsive to your request. The law does not require criminal background checks for Board members or candidates for the school board.

Currently, the paperwork school board members must sign and submit to the county when they seek election includes and affirmation that they are qualified to hold office which includes not being a child sex offender and not having been convicted of an infamous crime.

Best,
Todd

From: Michael Henry <michaelfhenry@live.com>
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Subject: Freedom Of Information Request

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Dear District FOIA Officer,

This is a request under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.

I request copies of the following public records:

Please read the Attached Document from the Illinois State Board of Education provided under FOIA Laws Detailing your legal duties.

And this entire reason I am asking is because of problems with Board Members and Superintendent Nolting of District 230.

We started looking at District 230 when Nolting was at a football Game between Andrews High School and Bradley *Bourbonnais* High School. A 17 Year old Bradley *Bourbonnais* Student was verbally attacked while playing by Nolting. And both Districts failed to protect the student and covered it Up.

from 2019 thru present please provide copies of all bonds sold by the District- This only needs to happen if the District did not comply the required background checks

From 2019 Please give the firm and name of the Districts Primary Attorney. if no primary Attorney Please list all Firms and Attorneys employed by your School District from Jan 1, 2019 Forward

From 2019 thru the present please provide Documentation the District Complied with Illinois law and Performed the Background checks the District Superintendent is supposed to perform of who ever is designated to perform

The Background Checks for Board members Prior to them being Goven the Oath Of Office.

Please Provide the background reports as Required under Illinois Law for each School Board elected in the State Of Illinois from 2010 Present, Performed by Each of the Government Entities in this Email.

Under Illinois Law (105 ILCS 5/10-21.9), the legal responsibility to initiate and ensure that criminal background checks are conducted on school board members—prior to being sworn into office—lies with the School District, typically managed by the Superintendent or the Board's designated Human Resources Department/officer.

Key Details on Responsibility and Process:

- Legal Mandate: Illinois law requires that school board members, who are essentially considered "applicants" for the position of managing the school district, must submit to a fingerprint-based criminal history records check.
- Responsible Party: The School District must initiate these checks, which include fingerprint-based checks through the Illinois State Police (ISP) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).
- Databases Searched: The required background check includes:
 - Illinois State Police (ISP) Criminal History Records Information.
 - Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) national crime information databases.
 - Statewide Sex Offender Registry.
 - Statewide Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Reg

I am requesting these records for a non-commercial purpose
If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me if the cost will exceed \$50.00

However, I request a waiver of all fees because the disclosure of this information is in the public interest.

As provided by law, I expect a response within five working days.
Sincerely,

Michael F. Henry