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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Owen Wang

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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Owan Wang,

The School District received your request for records pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (the "Act") on October 1, 2025. Please treat this correspondence as the response to your request.

You requested the following:

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. 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,

South Cook News

Response:

As a PreK-8 school district, there are no records responsive to your request.

Respectfully,
Griffin Sonntag
Pleasantdale School District 107 FOIA Officer