



RANTOUL CITY SCHOOLS
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October 8, 2025

VIA ELECTRONIC EMAIL

Owen Wang
Chambana Sun
foia@chambanasun.com

Dear Mr. Wang:

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request that was emailed to our office on October 1, 2025.

You requested:

- *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*

There are no records responsive to your request.

The person responsible for the response to your request is Scott C. Woods, FOIA Officer for the School District. You may ask the Illinois Attorney General's Public Access Counselor (PAC) to review this response concerning your records request, by submitting a Request for Review to the PAC by electronic mail or U.S. Mail within 60 days after this response. A request for review by the PAC should be directed to:

Public Access Bureau
Office of the Attorney General
500 S. 2nd Street
Springfield, IL 62706
publicaccess@atg.state.il.us

The PAC's telephone number is (877) 299-FOIA.

You also have the right to administrative review by a court of law pursuant to Section 11 of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott Woods'.

Scott C. Woods
FOIA Officer
Rantoul City School District #137



Scott Woods <swoods@rcs137.org>

Fwd: FOIA Request- High Schools Rewards

1 message

Lynda Watterson <lwatterson@rcs137.org>

Wed, Oct 1, 2025 at 9:22 AM

To: Scott Woods <swoods@rcs137.org>

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Lynda Watterson
Human Resource Manager
Rantoul City Schools #137
217-893-5400

"The secret of change is to focus all your energy not on fighting the old but on building the new." - Socrates

----- Forwarded message -----

From: <foia@chambanasun.com>

Date: Wed, Oct 1, 2025 at 9:17 AM

Subject: FOIA Request- High Schools Rewards

To: <Lwatterson@rcs137.org>

To whom it may concern,

I am a news reporter from Chambana Sun, 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:

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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,

Chambana Sun