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Fwd: FOIA for Literacy

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To: Ruth Gibson <ruth.gibson@panaschools.com>

Mon, Oct 2, 2023 at 8:49 AM

FOIA Request for the October regular board meeting. Print the email and include it in the section under the consent agenda.

Jason

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From: **Jason Bauer** <jbauer@panaschools.com>
Date: Mon, Oct 2, 2023 at 8:45 AM
Subject: Re: FOIA for Literacy
To: <kcasey@sorillinois.com>
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Good morning,

Here are the responses to the FOIA Request:

- 1) Names of the universal / core curricula use to teach reading in Kindergarten through 3rd grade: Benchmark Advance
- 2) Grade levels these are used if there are multiple reading curricula: Benchmark Advance is used in grades K-5.
- 3) The dates the reading curricula were purchased: May 21, 2018
- 4) Plans to purchase different literacy curricula in the future: We will evaluate and review the reading and language arts curriculum options during the 2024-2025 school year.

Jason

On Thu, Sep 28, 2023 at 9:13 PM Katharine Casey <kcasey@sorillinois.com> wrote:

Dear FOIA Officer,

Under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain copies of public records related to the literacy curriculum used within your district. **Specifically, I am looking for: 1) the names of the universal/core curricula currently used to teach reading in Kindergarten through 3rd grade, 2) the grade levels these are used if there are multiple reading curricula, 3) the dates the reading curricula were purchased, 4) and if there are plans to purchase different literacy curricula in the future.**

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform us of an estimated cost. This information is being sought for research purposes for a project funded by the Science of Reading Illinois to better understand literacy instruction in Illinois, and is not being sought for commercial purposes.

The Illinois Freedom of Information Act requires a response to this request be made within five business days. If access to the records we are requesting will take longer than this amount of time, please contact us with information about when we might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

If you deny any or all of this request, please cite the specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

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