



# Oak Park Elementary School District 97

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**TO: Members, Board of Education  
Dr. Carol Kelley, Superintendent**

**FROM: Chris Jasculca**

**RE: Update on FOIA Requests and Responses**

**DATE: May 24, 2016**

Below is a summary of the recent Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests that the district has received and/or processed.

1. On April 19, 2016, an individual submitted the following FOIA request via email.

“Principal LeeAndra Khan has made comments to staff and teachers at Brooks Middle School that she would not send her Black son to Brooks. (1) I would like copies of any emails to or from staff and/or teachers at Brooks Middle School that contain the words “Black son” (whether or not capitalized). (2) If you can run a Boolean search I would also like all email with the term “LeeAndra” or “Khan” or “Kahn” within 15 words of “son” (whether or not capitalized).

For all emails to or from any of the Brooks Middle school staff or teachers, my request is for the time window from March 1, 2016 to the date that you respond to my Freedom of Information Act requests. For emails from Principal LeeAndra Khan it is from the beginning of this current 2015-2016 school year until the date you respond to my Freedom of Information Act requests.

(3) I am also requesting all complaints made about Principal LeeAndra Khan this current 2015-2016 school year which have been made to the superintendent and/or to any D97 school board members about Principal LeeAndra Khan. This includes complaints from parents, teachers, staff, administrators, school board members and anyone else.”

On April 25, 2016, we emailed this individual to inform him/her that, as is permissible under FOIA, we were extending the time to respond to the request by five business days. Based on this extension, we issued our final response to the request on May 4, 2016.

2. On April 26, 2016, Ms. Barbara Mullarkey from the Oak Park Environmental Network submitted a FOIA request for the following records:

1. What are the ingredients in Nike Plus?
2. What manufacturing processes are involved in Nike Plus?
3. What is the date of the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for Nike Plus synthetic rubber turf at Brooks and Julian? Please send a copy.
4. During May, June, July and August, will you test and provide temperature settings of the artificial turf on which children play and participate in sports? Please send copies.

5. What studies convinced District 97 officials of Nike Plus' safety?
6. In which U.S. states are Nike Plus manufacturing plants?

We issued our response to Ms. Mullarkey's request on May 3, 2016.

3. On May 5, 2016, Ms. Barbara Mullarkey from the Oak Park Environmental Network submitted a FOIA request for the "26 April 2016 Board transcript referencing OPEN's public comments and any Board references to OPEN's public comments."

We issued our response to Ms. Mullarkey's request on May 9, 2016.

4. On May 14, 2016, Ms. Barbara Mullarkey from the Oak Park Environmental Network submitted a FOIA request for the "Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for Irving School's artificial turf."

We issued our response to Ms. Mullarkey's request on May 17, 2016.

5. On May 13, 2016, Ms. Jennifer Smith Richards from the Chicago Tribune submitted the following FOIA request via email.

"In accordance with the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140), I hereby request your office provide access to the following public records from Oak Park ESD 97 relating to water quality testing and associated environmental testing contracts dating back to July 1, 2012:

- Records of all requests to test for lead in water in district-owned or leased facilities.
- Records of the results of all tests for lead in water in district-owned or leased facilities.
- Records of all contracts related to water-quality testing and records of payments to those vendors performing such testing in district buildings.

If these public records are maintained electronically, please provide them in that format. If this is data tracked in a spreadsheet or database, please provide it in its native database format. In addition, please provide the records as they become available.

In the unlikely event that you claim any portion of the above public records to be exempt from disclosure under 5 ILCS 140, in writing please (i) identify which portion or portions you claim are exempt and the statutory provision or provisions you contend apply; (ii) set forth the reasons for your conclusion that such portion or portions are exempt; and (iii) release the remainder of such records for inspection and copying, redacting only the portion or portions you claim are exempt."

We issued our response to Ms. Richards' request on May 17, 2016.