

Dear Ms. Garza,

Thank you for writing to Morton District 709 with your request for information pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.

On December 21, 2017, we received the same request from you that was sent to us on September 27, 2017. The request both times was:

An excel spreadsheet containing the following information for every teacher and staff member (employee) currently employed in Morton CUSD 709. Please organize this information in the following manner:

- Campus (or office building name, for staff)
- First Name
- Middle Name
- Last Name
- Position
- Grade Level(for teachers)
- Subject Area taught (for teachers)
- Certified in Area of Instruction (for teachers)
- Home Address
- School Email
- Personal Email
- Personal Phone Number
- Gender
- Race/Ethnicity
- Hire Date
- Years of Experience
- Current Salary

Your request is being partially denied by Dr. Jeff Hill, Superintendent and Dr. Troy Teater, Freedom of Information Officer, for the following reason. According to 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c), Personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information. Home addresses, Personal Emails and Personal phone numbers fall into this category.

As far as the rest of the information you are requesting, it is readily available on public websites. Names, positions, grade levels, buildings, subject areas and current salaries can be found on our district website: www.morton709.org. The Illinois State Board of Education maintains a website for certification information and years of experience. This can be found at: <http://webprod.isbe.net/ELISInquiry/NormalPages/Educators.aspx>

You have a right to have the portion of your request that we denied reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Public Access Counselor
Office of the Attorney General
500 South 2nd Street
Springfield, IL 62706
Fax: 217-782-1396
E-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us

You also have the right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5ILCS 140/11.

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this denial letter. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC.

Sincerely,

Troy A. Teater Ed.D.