Hello Mr. Rutecki,

Your Freedom of Information Act request below has been granted. Your individual requests are set forth below along with Rockford School District #205’s responses.

Request #1: Collective Bargaining Agreements: Any and all current collective bargaining agreements, including but not limited to union contracts with teachers. If a union is currently operating under an expired contract, please include it.

Response to Request #1: Collective Bargaining Agreements are posted on the District's website at: http://www3.rps205.com/District/Pages/Bargaining-Agreements.aspx

Request #2: Administrator Contracts: Any and all employment/personnel agreements and contracts with current administrators, including but not limited to superintendents and principals.

Response to Request #2: Please see the attached three contracts and addendums. Please note that personal signatures have been redacted. 5 ILCS 140/2, 140/7(1)(b)(c).

Request #3: Budget: The approved operating and capital budgets for the 2016-17 school year.

Response to Request #3:


Request #4: Legal Settlements: Any and all legal settlements entered into, signed, or otherwise adopted from August 1, 2015 to present.

Response to Request #4: Legal Settlements are posted on the District website. Specifically, in order from 2015 to present:

http://www.rps205.com/BoardDocs/Il/rps205/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=A79UMJ68DBF1
http://www.boarddocs.com/il/rps205/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=A82PBN56DDAC
09/08/2015: http://www.boarddocs.com/il/rps205/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=A3Y4M97205B4
02/23/2016: http://www.boarddocs.com/il/rps205/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=A79UMJ68DBF1
03/22/2016: http://www.boarddocs.com/il/rps205/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=A82PBN56DDAC
04/12/2016: http://www.boarddocs.com/il/rps205/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=A8LRA4D2959
http://www.boarddocs.com/il/rps205/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=A8LRF24E6B3
Records Request

Dear FOIA Officer:

This is Jared Rutecki at the Better Government Association with a request for documents under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

Specifically, under FOIA, I am requesting access to:

1.) Collective Bargaining Agreements: Any and all current collective bargaining agreements, including but not limited to union contracts with teachers. If a union is currently operating under an expired contract, please include it.
2.) Administrator Contracts: Any and all employment/personnel agreements and contracts with current administrators, including but not limited to superintendents and principals.

3.) Budget: The approved operating and capital budgets for the 2016-17 school year.

4.) Legal Settlements: Any and all legal settlements entered into, signed, or otherwise adopted from August 1, 2015 to present.

5.) Payroll: Documents sufficient to show the names and corresponding job titles and salaries of any and all district employees and board members as of today (In other words, the current payroll records that include names, positions and pay for all employees, not just teachers and administrators).

If possible, please provide budget and payroll documents in a spreadsheet format, and a PDF for the collective bargaining agreements, administrator contracts and legal settlements.

I am making this request on behalf of the Better Government Association (BGA). The BGA is a registered non-profit organization in the State of Illinois.

The principal purpose of this request is to access and disseminate information concerning news and current or passing events for articles of opinion or features of interest to the public regarding the health, safety and welfare or the legal rights of the general public. The information sought will not be used for sale, resale, or solicitation or advertisement for sales or services.

This request is not made for commercial or personal purposes. More information about the BGA is available on the BGA website, www.bettergov.org, and on file with the Illinois Secretary of State. I ask that you waive fees as the law allows.

For any written correspondence, please send to:

223 W Jackson Blvd.
Ste. 900.
Chicago, IL 60606

However, in the interest of saving money and paper, I ask that you send all responses to my email address: jrutecki@bettergov.org.

Please call or email with any questions. I look forward to your response within five business days as required by law.

Jared Rutecki