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Tinley Park, IL 60477

Diane P. Cody, Ed. D.
Superintendent
FOIA Officer
Evergreen Park Elementary School District 124
9400 South Sawyer Avenue
Evergreen Park, IL 60805

RE: FOIA Pre-Approval Request – No. PAC 5974

Dear [REDACTED] and Dr. Cody:

The Office of the Public Access Counselor has received and reviewed the written notice from the Evergreen Park School District 124 (EPSD) of its intent to deny [REDACTED] request for documents, in part, based on subsection 7(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/9.5(b) (FOIA).

Requester seeks various records that relate to the superintendent, assistant superintendent, school board members and district employees. Based on subsection 7(1)(c), EPSD seeks to redact all dates of birth from the requested documents.

As a result of this review, we have determined that it is **appropriate** for the EPSD to decline to disclose date of births pursuant subsection 7(1)(c). Depending on the circumstance, age can be a highly personal subject. Dates of birth, by their very nature, may be considered personal information, the disclosure of which could constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy in accordance with subsection 7(1)(c). 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c). Therefore, pre-authorization is **granted** and the public body may send the

documentation to the requester with appropriate redactions. This letter shall serve to close this matter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (312) 814-6437.

Sincerely,

Cara Smith
Public Access Counselor

By:



Lola Dada-Olley
Assistant Public Access Counselor