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Ms. Gloria Mickulas, CPS
Executive Secretary for the Superintendent
District Administrative Center
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RE: FOIA Pre-Approval Request – No. PAC 5978

Dear [REDACTED] and Ms. Mickulas:

The Office of the Public Access Counselor has received and reviewed the written notice from the Lockport Township High School District 205 (LTHSD) 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).

[REDACTED] request includes the dates of birth for all district employees, including the school district's superintendent, assistant superintendents and all board members. Based on subsection 7(1)(c), LTHSD 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 LTHSD to decline to disclose dates of birth 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 LTHSD may send the

documentation to [REDACTED] 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:

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