

## OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL STATE OF ILLINOIS

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July 2, 2010

Ms. Teri Engler Freedom of Information Officer River Forest Public School Dist. No. 90 2215 York Rd. Suite 206 Oak Brook, IL 60523-2392

Dear Ms. Engler:

RE: FOIA Pre-Approval Request – No. 2010 PAC 8158

We have received and reviewed the written notice from River Forest Public School District No. 90 of its intention to deny the disclosure in part of certain records requested by and pursuant to Section 7(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) because they contain "personal information, the disclosure of which would result in a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy." 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c). and had requested documents relating to special education programs and services provided by the District. The District proposes to provide the requested information but to redact student names, identification numbers, dates of birth, grades, ethnicities other than white, and languages spoken other than English.

As a result of this review, we have determined that disclosure of the information mentioned above would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of the students involved in the programs. The privacy interests of the students and their families outweighs the public interest in obtaining specific information that could identify them as participants in these programs. Therefore, the request to assert the exemption under subsection 7(1)(c) is hereby approved and further inquiry into this matter is not warranted.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 312-814-2770. This correspondence

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will serve to close the matter.

Sincerely,

Cara Smith
Public Access Counselor

By:

John Schmidt Assistant Attorney General

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