



ALLENDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

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March 21, 2023

VIA EMAIL ONLY

Mr. Michael Gottesman
New Jersey Public Education Coalition

Re: Open Public Records Act Request

Dear Mr. Gottesman:

Please accept this correspondence in response to the Open Public Records Act ("OPRA") request you submitted to the Allendale Board of Education ("the Board"). As the official Records Custodian for the Board, I received your request on Monday, March 20, 2023. As such, the seven business day deadline to respond to your request is Wednesday, March 29, 2023.

By way of your OPRA request, you seek that the Board provide the following information:

1. Please provide the total number of students enrolled in all public schools and charter schools in your District.
2. Please provide the total number of students whose parents have availed themselves of the opt-out provisions of N.J.S.A.18A:35-4.7 and opted their child out of all or a portion of the 2020 NJSLS-CHPE mandate or curriculum promulgated in accordance thereto.

Please be advised that your request is granted with the answers as follows:

1. As of March 20, 2023, there are 928 students enrolled in the Allendale Public School. The District has no students in Charter Schools.
2. As of March 20, 2023, there has been 1 student to opt out of the 2020 NJSLS-CHPE.

If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within the seven business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the Board's decision to deny access. At your option, you may either institute a proceeding in the Superior Court of New Jersey or file a complaint with the GRC by completing the Denial of Access Complaint Form. You may contact the GRC by toll-free telephone at (866)-850-0511, by mail at P.O. Box 819, Trenton New Jersey 08625, by email at grc@dca.state.nj.us, or at their website at www.state.nj.us/grc. The Council can also answer other questions about the law. All questions regarding complaints filed in Superior Court should be directed to the Court Clerk in your county.

If you should have any questions regarding the information produced, do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Maria Engeleit
Business Administrator/Board Secretary