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To: OPRA Requestor Michael Gottesman by email only to:
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From: Vincent Marasco, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
and Custodian of Records for Colts Neck Board of Education (the "Board")

Re: Board Response to OPRA Request dated January 19, 2026

Dear OPRA Requestor:

The undersigned serves as the Custodian of Records (the "Custodian") on behalf of the Colts Neck Board of Education (the "Board"). We have consulted with Board Counsel with respect to this matter.

We are in receipt of your OPRA Request dated 1-19-2026. **This is the final response of the Board to your request.** The Request sought:

"Any and all documents associated with the planning or actual execution of the New Jersey School Board Summit sponsored by the New Jersey Family Foundation a/k/the New Jersey Family Policy Center scheduled to take place in Colts Neck, New Jersey on January 31, 2026 showing direct or indirect involvement of the Colts Neck Township School District and/or any members of the Board of Education of the Colts Neck Township School District."

The OPRA request then defines the word "documents" in a lengthy and over-burdensome manner.

The Board's response is as follows:

Despite the deficiencies in your OPRA Request, and with diligence and to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, the Custodian caused a search to be conducted as to Board Members.

There are no responsive government records that constitute "planning or actual execution" of the named event. There are no responsive government records that constitute "direct or indirect involvement" of Board Members in the named event.

Based upon deficiencies in your Request, the Custodian on behalf of the Board objects to same in its entirety. The Board cannot perform searches or queries regarding the entirety of the "Colts Neck Township School District". It is overburdensome and overly broad and potentially invades the privacy of students, parents, teachers, administrators, vendors, service providers and anyone who communicates with the Board or its personnel. The OPRA statute requires specificity of the Board personnel who may be in possession of the sought-after government records.

You fail to specify any keywords or topic/subject matter, which leaves the Custodian in the position of speculation as to what to search for.

You fail to specify a time period for which to search, which creates an undue burden and speculation for the Custodian.

In addition, the use of the words "direct or indirect" create an impermissible deficiency as the terms are vague and nonspecific, which prevents a proper search for government records.

Further, the use of "and/or" in your request is an impermissible deficiency because it forces speculation of what the request is for. A request must be specific to perform searches for responsive government records.

This letter completes the Board's response to your OPRA Request and the matter is now closed. The Board reserves the right to raise any additional applicable defenses should there be any challenge to this response.

Be aware that the OPRA Statute now permits attorney's fees to be awarded against either the complainant or the public entity and frivolous lawsuit claims may be applicable.

Very truly yours,
COLTS NECK BOARD OF EDUCATION

By:



Vincent Marasco, Custodian of Records
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