

East Newark Public School

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VIA E-MAIL [opra+request-66105-1523c500@requests.opramachine.com]

NJ411News

Re: Open Public Records Act/Common Law Request

Dear Sir/Madam:

The East Newark School Public School ("District") records custodian received your Open Public Records Act ("OPRA") and common law request ("Request") on September 3, 2024. On September 10, 2024, the District received your answers with respect to the intended use of the requested records, as required by the amended OPRA statute. The seven business day deadline to respond to your Request is September 26, 2024. As such, the District is timely responding to your Request.

Your Request seeks the following records:

All of the requests below are to be produced from January 1, 2020 to present.

All materials, communications, emails or any other format between the board of education trustees, superintendent Dr. Rosaura Bagolie, and/or Frances L. Febres, Esq. regarding:

1. Jorge Castro's termination and filing of suspension of his teaching certification.
2. Produce name of who made the recommendation to file to suspend Jorge Castro's teaching certification.
3. Produce resolution to engage Frances L. Febres, Esq. to represent the board of education in the above matter
4. Resolution authorizing the board of education to file for the suspension of the teaching certificate of Jorge Castro.
5. Produce all legal invoices related to the above matter
6. Name of approver who signed off on the legal invoices for the above matter
7. Produce resolution for payment of all invoices, including but not limited to legal for the above matter
8. Produce offer letter and termination letter sent to Jorge Castro.
9. Produce job listing originally posted for this position, list of candidates

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who responded and who were interviewed with dates and times.

OPRA allows the records custodian to seek extensions of time pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5i. In light of the voluminous nature of your request, the District anticipates requiring an additional two weeks (until October 10, 2024) to compile, review, and produce the potentially responsive records in accordance with New Jersey law. The District also reserves the right to request an additional extension of time if necessary. See Scheeler v. New Jersey Department of Educ., GRC Complaint No. 2014-123 (2016).

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Emidio D'Andrea". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Emidio D'Andrea

Business Administrator/Board Secretary