

WALL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
OFFICE OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY
PO Box 1199
Wall, New Jersey 07719-1199

Brian J. Smyth
Custodian of Records

Phone: 732-556-2016
FAX: 732-556-2102

October 18, 2023

Betsy Cross

opra+request-53830-c8baeef4@requests.opramachine.com

Re: OPRA 24-026

Dear Ms. Cross,

The Wall Township Board of Education is in receipt of your emailed request that is dated October 9, 2023, wherein you requested record as follows:

“Kindly provide emails, fax or letter "to" or "from" Tracy Handerhan, Athena Cornell, Lester Richens, Angelica Allen-McMillan, Brian Smyth Dawn Choma or Kim Keator. The keyword is "separation" or "Sirchio" or #7343. The time frame is July 1, 2023, until October 9, 2023.”

Currently, your request fails to identify with reasonable clarity the specific government records sought, as is required by Bent v. Stafford Police Department, 381 N.J.Super. 30, 37 (App. Div. 2005). Your request includes a request for emails of seven individuals over a three-month period of time that contain the keyword “separation” which is a common word with no specificity to a subject matter, and will produce thousands of potential responsive documents. Your heading states “,,,Separation agreement approval DOE – Rose Sirchio” and the other keywords in your request are “or ‘Sirchio’ or #7343.” As a suggestion, you may wish to clarify if your request is for emails that contain the keyword “separation” AND the keyword “Sirchio” or “#7343” as that would narrow the search.

Please respond in writing and identify the specific government records sought so that we may process your request. Failure to provide written clarification of your request will result in the closure of this OPRA request.

If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within the seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by the Wall Township Board of Education 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 Government Records Council (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, NJ 08625, be-mail at grc@dca.state.nj.us, or at their web site at www.state.nj.us/grc. The GRC 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.

Sincerely,



Brian J. Smyth
Custodian of Records

BJS/dc