

WALL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Transparency

Re: OPRA 24-003B

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To Whom It May Concern:

The Wall Township Board of Education, (District) is in receipt of your emailed OPRA request dated July 9, 2023, and received by the Custodian of Records on July 10, 2023, wherein you requested records as follows:

“Records requested:

-Copies of all emails from Amirah Wesley to Tracy Handerman, Christine Steitz, or Mike Scarano from 1/1/2023 to 6/1/2023 regarding the subject principal or Righi.

-Copies of all emails from Brad Garcia to Tracy Handerman, Christine Steitz, or Mike Scarano from 1/1/2023 to 6/1/2023 regarding the subject principal or Righi.”

On July 18, 2023 you were advised that an extension of time until July 25, 2023 was necessary as our search had determined that one record was responsive to your request, and that the record required reviewed to determine if all or a portion of the record is shielded from release under OPRA, as OPRA allows custodians to seek extensions of time pursuant to N.J.S.A 47:1A-5i.; specifically, OPRA states that, "the requestor shall be advised by the custodian when the record can be made available, and if the record was not made available by that time, access shall be deemed denied."

Attached please find one document that is responsive to your request. Please know redactions to the record were made based upon exemptions from release permitted by OPRA and other laws. Specifically, the redactions include the release of personally identifiable student information pursuant to Family Educational Records Protection Act, N.J.A.C. 6A:32-7.5 (Student Records), and N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1. Further, the record involves personnel records that are exempt from release pursuant to N.J.S.A.47:1A-10 and N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(8).

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

From: [REDACTED]
Sent time: 03/01/2023 12:04:07 PM
To: Christine Steitz <csteitz@wallpublicschools.org>
Subject: [REDACTED]