

February 16, 2023

VIA EMAIL - research@illinoispolicy.org

Re: FOIA 23-21

Subject: I am requesting records/documents showing the following information about negotiations: Any scheduled or suggested dates or timelines for negotiations, meetings or other activities between agents of the district and agents of the union representing teachers related to negotiating the new collective bargaining agreement. The most recent contract offer by the district to the union. The most recent contract offer by the union to the district.

Dear IllinoisPolicyResearch:

This letter will serve as Oswego Community Unit School District 308's response to your 2/16/2023 request under the Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.), in which you asked for the above referenced information.

The information requested is exempt under (Section 7(1)(p): records relating to collective negotiating matters between public bodies and their employees or representatives, except that any final contract or agreement shall be subject to inspection and copying.

The decision to withhold the information was made by me consulting with our District legal counsel. You have a right to have the denial of your request reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Public Access Counselor
Office of the Attorney General
500 South 2nd Street
Springfield, IL 62706

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this denial letter. Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC. You also have the right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

To promote district transparency and assist others who may have a similar question, go to www.sd308.org and select Our District > Freedom of Information Act Request > FOIA

Request Responses > FOIA Requests Responses - 2023 – click on the link for 23-21 for information on previous requests.

Please let me know if you have additional questions. Thank you.

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Freedom of Information Officer