

Richard P. Langolis
Superintendent of Marlborough Public Schools
17 Washington Street
Marlborough, MA 01752

February 24, 2016

Dear Superintendent Langolis,

This request is being made pursuant to General Laws c. 66 §10, of the Massachusetts public records law (public records law). I am requesting that I be provided with a copy of the following records:

Written findings of no eligibility for special education services provided by Marlborough Public Schools to parents or guardians under 603 CMR 28.05(2) (including provisions required in 34 CFR 300.503) from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2015, redacted of all personally identifying information as necessary to ensure a student's confidentiality.

I recognize that you may charge reasonable costs for copies. If you expect costs to exceed \$10.00, please provide a detailed fee estimate. The public records law requires you to provide me with a written response within 10 calendar days. If you cannot comply with my request, you are statutorily required to provide an explanation in writing.

As you are aware, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court (SJC) recently ruled that the state public records law places an affirmative obligation on a school district to redact personally identifying information from educational records and, once a settlement agreement is redacted, the educational record becomes a public record that must be disclosed pursuant to the state public records law. The SJC found that disclosure to the public of redacted educational records was consistent with the federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act and other laws and regulations protecting student confidentiality.

Best regards,