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**SENT VIA U.S. MAIL & EMAIL**

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Dr. Lynn Moody  
Superintendent  
Rowan-Salisbury School System  
PO Box 2349  
Salisbury, NC 28145

Re: Open Records Request—Bible Classes

Dear Dr. Moody:

On behalf of the Freedom From Religion Foundation and pursuant to the North Carolina Open Records Act, N.C.G.S. § 132, I request a copy of the following records related to the use and/or study of the bible in the Rowan-Salisbury School System (“District”):

- 1) Course syllabi and lesson plans for all bible classes in the District’s elementary schools.
- 2) Course materials, including homework assignments, class handouts, notes, study guides, tests, PowerPoint slides, and any other documents displayed to students in all bible classes in the District’s elementary schools.
- 3) Any correspondence (including emails) between elementary school bible class teachers and District officials regarding any District bible class.
- 4) Financial records related to the District’s bible classes at all grade levels for the last 3 school years, including contracts or other agreements with any churches and/or other nonprofit groups who may fund the bible classes.
- 5) Any training manuals or other guidance documents about the legal restrictions on teaching bible classes provided by the District to any bible class teachers.
- 6) Any information provided to parents and guardians about any District bible class.
- 7) Any records relating to the selection of teachers for bible instruction courses, including job postings.

If any part of this request is denied, please respond with a written explanation of the denial, including any references to statutory exemptions or other case law relied upon. Any electronic records (preferred) can be emailed to [patrick@ffrf.org](mailto:patrick@ffrf.org), as can any questions. Please fulfill this request “as promptly as possible,” as required by N.C.G.S. § 132-6. We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



Patrick C. Elliott  
Staff Attorney

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