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SENT VIA EMAIL & U.S. MAIL
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Michael Lamb
Superintendent
Sulphur Springs Independent School District
631 Connally St
Sulphur Springs, TX 75482

Re: Open Records Request

Dear Superintendent Lamb:

I am writing on behalf of the Freedom From Religion Foundation (FFRF) regarding a Fields of Faith event sponsored by Illuminate Student Ministry ("Ministry") on Sulphur Springs Independent School District ("District") property, which was reported to have been funded by the District. This event was also promoted on the Sulphur Springs ISD Facebook page.

Pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act (Texas Gov't Code Ann. §§ 552.001– 552.353), I hereby request copies of the following records:

1. Any and all applications and contracts between the District and the Ministry regarding use of District facilities.
2. A copy of any receipts or payment histories verifying rental payment by the Ministry hosting the event.
3. Any policy and/or rental rate schedule for use of District facilities.
4. All communications, including emails, between District staff and employees of the Ministry.

Please respond to this request within 10 days as required under Texas law. If you do not maintain these public records, please forward this request to the proper custodian and let me know the name and address of the custodians of these records. If you choose to deny this request, please respond with a written explanation of the denial, including any references to applicable statutory exemptions relied upon.

Any electronic records (preferred) can be emailed to wsteffen@ffrf.org, as can any questions that will expedite your attention to this request. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Whitney Steffen
Legal Assistant