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RE: Response to Freedom of Information Law Request; 142048-32789944@requests.muckrock.com

Dear Mr. Parker;

This will respond to your New York State Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request received by me on March 5, 2023, and follows my initial response to you on March 8, 2023. I am responding to your request as the Superintendent of Schools at Green Island Union Free School District.

In your request you seek the following; '

By way of background, on August 10, 2022, Governor Kathy Hochul signed into law Chapter 490 of the Laws of 2022 requiring a survey regarding instruction on the Holocaust within New York State public school districts. Through the survey, superintendents are required to attest that the district is teaching about the Holocaust appropriately as part of classroom instruction aligned with the NYS Social Studies Learning Standards and §801 of Education Law.

In October 2022, Deputy Commissioner Angelique Johnson-Dingle sent a memo to public school superintendents including a copy of that survey and instructions for accessing and submitting the survey via the SED Monitoring and Vendor Performance System in the NYSED Business Portal.

Pursuant to the New York Freedom of Information Law, I hereby request all of the Holocaust Instruction Survey responses submitted since August 10, 2022.

Please see the attached document from November 1, 2022 that was submitted to the NYSED Business Portal.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Ross

Superintendent of Schools