



Watervliet

CITY SCHOOLS

- 1245 Hillside Drive
- Watervliet, NY 12189
- (518) 629-3200

May 30, 2023

Dr. Donald Stevens Jr.
Superintendent of Schools
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Re: Response to Freedom of Information Law Request

■ **Watervliet Jr./Sr.
High School**
1245 Hillside Drive
Watervliet, NY 12189
(518) 629-3300

Dear Mr. Parker:

This will respond to your revised New York State Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL") request originally received by me on March 6 and modified and resubmitted on April 14. I am responding to your request as the Records Access Officer of The Watervliet City School district. In your request, as revised, you seek:

■ **Watervliet
Elementary School**
2557 10th Avenue
Watervliet, NY 12189
(518) 629-3400

All materials and correspondence between the district Board of Education, district Administration, district Equity Committee or Office, Faculty, Staff, Third Party Contractors and Consultants related to the following terms, subjects or concepts between January 1, 2022 to the date this request is fulfilled:

■ **Business Office**
1245 Hillside Drive
Watervliet, NY 12189
(518) 629-3203

- a. Equity
- b. Culturally Responsive
- c. Implicit Bias
- d. People of Color
- e. Social Justice
- f. Diversity
- g. Decolonize
- h. Intersectionality

Please be advised that your request is denied. In that regard, upon initial search and investigation the District has determined that there are over 9,889 records potentially responsive to your request. In order to respond to your request the District would be required to review all potentially responsive records, determine if such records are in fact responsive, and redact such records as may be necessary under applicable federal or state law or as otherwise permissible under FOIL. The sheer breadth and scope of potentially responsive records supports the District's denial of your request on the basis of its failure to reasonably describe the records being requested and the unreasonable effort and expense imposed upon the District to attempt to fulfill this overly broad request. For the foregoing reasons your request is denied.

Any appeal of this decision should be made within thirty (30) days, in writing to the Dr. Donald Stevens, Jr., Superintendent of Schools. Dr. Stevens can be contacted at 1245 Hillside Drive, Watervliet, NY 12189, or by telephone at (518) 629-3201.

Sincerely,

Bernadette L. Boardman
Records Access Officer