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March 8, 2024

VIA EMAIL

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RE: #F23,143

Open Records # 2024-040-00074

Vax Data

Dear Mr. Siri:

This letter is in final response to your Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request, which sought: *... records reflecting the number of students who are currently enrolled in any New York City public school, and who have been enrolled for more than 30 days, and who do not have all required vaccinations.*

A diligent search has been completed and responsive data was located. As of February 7, 2024, the number of students in New York City Public Schools enrolled for more than 30 days who do not have a record of having all required vaccinations is 35,406.

This concludes the Record Access Unit's response, and your request will be marked as "closed" in the Unit's database as of the date of this letter.

Any person denied access to a record may appeal the decision in writing within thirty days. Please state a specific ground for appeal and include copies of the initial request and the denial. Appeals should be sent to: Liz Vladeck, General Counsel, c/o Office of Legal Services, New York City Department of Education, 52 Chambers Street – Room 308, NY, NY 10007, FOIL@schools.nyc.gov.

Sincerely,

Samantha Carroll /s/

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Liz Vladeck
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March 26, 2024

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RE: #F23,318
Open Records # 2024-040-00145
Vax Data

Dear Mr. Siri:

This letter is in final response to the Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request referenced above and copied below:

In response to FOIL Request #2024-040-00074, the Agency stated that “as of February 7, 2024, the number of students in New York City Public Schools enrolled for more than 30 days who do not have a record of having all required vaccinations is 35,406.” (1) Of those 35, 406 students, how many have been granted a medical exemption to any required vaccine? (2) Of the 35, 406 students, how many are not citizens of the United States? And of the non-citizens, how many of them have been granted a medical exemption to any required vaccine?.

Preliminarily, FOIL is a mechanism to request agency records. FOIL does not obligate an agency to answer questions or supply information. See FOIL-AO-10675 (Sept. 29, 1997). Notwithstanding the above, a diligent search for data responsive to your inquiries was conducted. No responsive data could be located, in that the agency does not collect, index, or otherwise track student vaccination data by citizenship status. Furthermore, I am informed that medical exemptions were not included in the data provided in response to your previous FOIL request.

This concludes the FOIL Unit’s response, and your request will be marked as “closed” in the Unit’s database as of the date of this letter.

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