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1340 Tanyard Road

GLOUCESTER COUNTY
SPECIAL SERVICES / VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL
SCHOOL DISTRICTS
Sewell, NJ 08080

GOVERNMENT RECORDS REQUEST FORM

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Important Notice

The reverse side of this form contains important information related to your rights concerning government records. Please read it carefully.

Requestor Information – Please Print

First Name _____ MI _____ Last Name _____
 Company _____
 Mailing Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email _____
 Business Hours Telephone: Area Code _____ Number _____ Extension _____
 Preferred Delivery: Pick Up _____ US Mail _____ On-Site _____
 Inspect _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____
Circle One: Under penalty of N.J.S.A. 2C:28-3, I certify that I **HAVE / HAVE NOT** been convicted of any
 indictable offense under the laws of New Jersey, any other state, or the United States.
 Signature _____ Date _____

Payment Information

Maximum Authorization Cost \$ _____
 Select Payment Method
 Cash _____ Check _____ Money Order _____
 Fees: Letter size pages - \$0.05 per page
 Legal size pages - \$0.07 per page
 Other materials (CD, DVD, etc) – actual cost of material
 Delivery: Delivery / postage fees additional depending upon delivery type.
 Extras: Special service charge dependent upon request.

Record Request Information: To expedite the request, be as specific as possible in describing the records being requested. Also, please include the type of access requested (copying or inspection), and if data, the medium requested.

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Est. Document Cost _____
 Est. Delivery Cost _____
 Est. Extras Cost _____
 Total Est. Cost _____
 Deposit Amount _____
 Estimated Balance _____
 Deposit Date _____

Disposition Notes
 Custodian: If any part of request cannot be delivered in seven business days, detail reasons here.
 In Progress - Open _____
 Denied - Closed _____
 Filled - Closed _____
 Partial - Closed _____

Tracking Information		Final Cost	
Tracking #	_____	Total	_____
Rec'd Date	_____	Deposit	_____
Ready Date	_____	Balance Due	_____
Total Pages	_____	Balance Paid	_____
Records Provided			
Custodian Signature _____		Date _____	

Requesting Access to Government Records Under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act (N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.)

1. All government records are subject to public access under the Open Public Records Act ("OPRA"), unless specifically exempt.
2. A request for access to a government record under OPRA must be in writing, hand-delivered, mailed, transmitted electronically, or otherwise conveyed to the appropriate custodian. N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5.g. The seven (7) business day response time does not commence until the records custodian receives the request form. If you submit the request form to any other officer or employee of the **Gloucester County Special Services School District** or the **Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District**, that officer or employee must either forward the request to the appropriate custodian, or direct you to the appropriate custodian. N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5.h.
3. Requestors may submit requests anonymously. If you elect not to provide a name, address, or telephone number, or other means of contact, the custodian is not required to respond until you reappear before the custodian seeking a response to the original request.
4. The fees for duplication of a government record in printed form are listed on the front of this form. We will notify you of any special service charges or other additional charges authorized by State law or regulation before processing your request. Payment shall be made by cash, check or money order payable to either the **Gloucester County Special Services School District** or the **Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District**.
5. **You may be charged a 50% or other deposit when a request for copies exceeds \$25.** The custodian of the **Gloucester County Special Services School District** and the **Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District** will contact you and advise you of any deposit requirements. You agree to pay the balance due upon delivery of the records. Anonymous requests in excess of \$5.00 require a deposit of 100% of estimated fees.
6. Under OPRA, a custodian must deny access to a person who has been convicted of an indictable offense in New Jersey, any other state, or the United States, **and** who is seeking government records containing personal information pertaining to the person's victim or the victim's family. This includes anonymous requests for said information.
7. By law, the either **Gloucester County Special Services School District** or the **Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District** must notify you that it grants or denies a request for access to government records within seven (7) business days after the agency custodian of records receives the request. If the record requested is not currently available or is in storage, the custodian will advise you within seven (7) business days after receipt of the request when the record can be made available and the estimated cost for reproduction.
8. You may be denied access to a government record if your request would substantially disrupt agency operations and the custodian is unable to reach a reasonable solution with you.
9. If the **Gloucester County Special Services School District** or the **Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District** is unable to comply with your request for access to a government record, the custodian will indicate the reasons for denial on the request form or other written correspondence and send you a signed and dated copy.
10. Except as otherwise provided by law or by agreement with the requester, if the agency custodian of records fails to respond to you within seven (7) business days of receiving a request, the failure to respond is a deemed denial of your request.
11. If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within the seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by either the **Gloucester County Special Services School District** or the **Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District** to deny access. At your option, you may either institute a proceeding in the Superior Court of New Jersey or file a complaint with the Government Records Council ("GRC") by completing the Denial of Access Complaint Form. You may contact the GRC by toll-free telephone at 866-850-0511, by mail at PO Box 819, Trenton, NJ, 08625, by e-mail at grc@dca.state.nj.us, or at their web site at www.state.nj.us/grc. The Council can also answer other questions about the law. All questions regarding complaints filed in Superior Court should be directed to the Court Clerk in your County.
12. Information provided on this form may be subject to disclosure under the Open Public Records Act.