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PURSUANT TO THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (5 ILCS 140) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

DESCRIPTION

The Regional Office of Education (ROE) is an essential support office partnering with the Illinois State Board of Education to aid local school districts.

SUMMARY OF PURPOSE

The role of Regional Superintendent of Schools and Assistant Regional Superintendents and of the Regional Offices of Education is to promote quality education for the school children and citizens of Illinois, to provide educational leadership, to impact public policy, and to deliver educational services effectively for the benefit of Illinois school districts, other educational entities, and educational system clients of all ages.

ANNUAL BUDGET

For fiscal year 2024 the DuPage County Regional Office of Education approved budget is \$1,202,666.

NUMBER OF LOCATIONS - THREE

DuPage County Regional Office of Education - 421 N County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187 Center for Professional Learning - 503 N County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187 Center for Student Success - Old Mill School - 848 N Mill Road, Addison, IL 60101

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES, FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME

63 Full-Time Employees6 Part-Time Employees

LIST OF ANY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, OR COUNCILS THAT ACT IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY OR TO WHOM THE PUBLIC BODY REPORTS

DuPage County Regional Office of Education, DuPage County Board

HOW TO REQUEST PUBLIC RECORDS

Requests for inspection or copies shall be made in writing and directed to the public body. Written requests may be submitted to a public body via personal delivery, mail, telefax, or other means available to the public body. A public body may honor oral requests for inspection or copying. A public body may not require that a request be submitted on a standard form or require the requester to specify the



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purpose for a request, except to determine whether the records are requested for a commercial purpose or whether to grant a request for a fee waiver. All requests for inspection and copying received by a public body shall immediately be forwarded to its Freedom of Information officer or designee.

The Freedom of Information Officer is: Lori Ladesic <u>lladesic@dupagroe.org</u>

FEES

(5 ILCS 140/6) (from Ch. 116, par. 206)

Sec. 6. Authority to charge fees.

If a public body imposes a fee pursuant to this subsection (a-5), it must provide the requester with an accounting of all fees, costs, and personnel hours in connection with the request for public records.

- (b) Except when a fee is otherwise fixed by statute, each public body may charge fees reasonably calculated to reimburse its actual cost for reproducing and certifying public records and for the use, by any person, of the equipment of the public body to copy records. No fees shall be charged for the first 50 pages of black and white, letter or legal sized copies requested by a requester. The fee for black and white, letter or legal sized copies shall not exceed 15 cents per page. If a public body provides copies in color or in a size other than letter or legal, the public body may not charge more than its actual cost for reproducing the records. In calculating its actual cost for reproducing records or for the use of the equipment of the public body to reproduce records, a public body shall not include the costs of any search for and review of the records or other personnel costs associated with reproducing the records, except for commercial requests as provided in subsection (f) of this Section. Such fees shall be imposed according to a standard scale of fees, established and made public by the body imposing them. The cost for certifying a record shall not exceed \$1.
- (c) Documents shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the public body, if the person requesting the documents states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest. Waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest if the principal purpose of the request is to access and disseminate information regarding the health, safety and welfare or the legal rights of the general public and is not for the principal purpose of personal or commercial benefit. For purposes of this subsection, "commercial benefit" shall not apply to requests made by news media when the principal purpose of the request is to access and disseminate information regarding the health, safety, and welfare or the legal rights of the general public. In setting the amount of the waiver or reduction, the public body may take into consideration the amount of materials requested and the cost of copying them.