



June 17, 2026

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Jim Reeves

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Re: Further Response to Public Records Act Request

Dear Mr. Reeves:

In our correspondence dated May 18, 2026, we stated the District would make reasonable efforts to provide the requested documents to you in a manner consistent with the CPRA by no later than June 17, 2026, provided we would notify you if this was not possible.

To confirm our understanding, in your Request No. 3, you seek the following:

3. Staff Communications: Any and all emails, text messages (on district-issued or personal devices used for district business), or internal memoranda related to the senior class picture incident and subsequent investigations. This request specifically targets communication from:
 - VUSD staff assigned to the senior class picture event where the photo was taken.
 - The Principal and Vice-Principal of Redwood High School.
 - **Named District Officials/Staff:** Kirk Shrum, Andrew Di Meo, Monica Andrew, Dennis Dyck, Cristina Gutierrez, Jordan Markham, and Leshia Weatherford.
 - **Named Board Members/Personnel:** Todd Oto, Walta Gamoian, Paul Belt, Kenneth Dejonge, Jacqueline Gaebe, Joy Naylor, and Randy Villegas.

Based on the wording of this request, the District has interpreted this request as seeking emails, text messages, or internal memoranda sent by the specifically identified individuals. The District has therefore conducted its search and review consistent with that interpretation and is providing those responsive, non exempt records. If this interpretation does not accurately reflect the records sought, please let us know, and the District will evaluate whether any additional searches are warranted.

Accordingly, please find enclosed with the email transmitting this letter the responsive, non-exempt records you requested. This initial set of documents will be referred to as "Batch 1."

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the District identified the following exemptions that apply and the District has withheld or redacted certain information as a result:

- Records, entries, or portions thereof that are student records, or contain personally identifiable student information, which are exempt from disclosure pursuant to federal and state law. (Gov. Code, § 7927.705; FERPA, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g; Ed. Code, §§ 49073 et seq.; *Rim of the World Unified School District v. Superior Court* (2002) 104 Cal.App.4th 1393, 1399; Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. 1412.)

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- The home addresses, home telephone numbers, and personal cellular telephone numbers of the District’s employees. (Gov. Code § 7928.300, subd. (a).)
- Those records, where on balance the public interest served by not disclosing the record clearly outweighs the public interest served by disclosure of the record. (Gov. Code, § 7922.000.; Cal. Const., art. I, § 1.)
- Documents or information protected under the attorney work product privilege. (Gov. Code, § 7927.705; Evid. Code, § 915; CCP, § 2018.030; Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6068.)

Please note that because part of your request was denied, you are hereby advised that pursuant to Government Code section 7922.540, subd. (b), Ben Dhillon, Assistant Superintendent, is the person responsible for the partial denial of your request.

The District is still analyzing, processing, and locating responsive documents, and will continue to disclose non-exempt documents to you on a rolling basis. The remainder of the responsive, non-exempt, documents will be made available to you once the District has had a reasonable time to locate those documents, provided such documents exist and are not restricted or limited from disclosure pursuant to the CPRA. The District will make all reasonable efforts to provide you with an additional batch of responsive, non-exempt records in a manner consistent with the CPRA by no later than July 17, 2026, provided that we will timely notify you if this is not possible.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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Human Resources Development

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