May 23, 2013

Dear Adrian:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on May 17, 2013.

You have requested the number of children (birth to age 18) and young adults (ages 18-22) placed and paid for by ISBE in residential treatment facilities during FY 2012 and 2013, including the number of children in each facility, the name and address of the facility and the average daily cost per child.

The attached document (13-346-duron-doc.xlsx) is provided in response to your request. The spreadsheet provides the total number of students ages 3-18 and 18-21 placed in a residential facility with an approved “Application for Approval of Private Residential Placement Room and Board Reimbursement” Form 34-37 (ISBE reimburses school district at 100 percent) for the 2011-2012 school year. There are 353 students ages 3-18 (to age 18) and 101 students ages 18-21 (to age 22). The excel file also includes the number of students placed at each residential facility, including the facility code, name, address and per diem. This rate only includes the residential portion of the placement.

Please note that data for the 2012-2013 school year will not be available until late August. You are welcome to check back with our agency at that time. Additionally, note that we do not collect this information for children birth to age 3. We recommend contacting the Department of Human Services for this data.

If you have questions, please contact Kathy Joyce at (217) 782-5256 or kjoyce@isbe.net or Amanda Simhauser at (217) 782-4648 or asimhaus@isbe.net.

Sincerely,

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Director of Public Information

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