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April 19, 2018

RE: CORA Request received via e-mail on April 16, 2018

Dear Ms. Prather:

The records attached to this email are being sent in response to the Colorado Open Records Act request you sent via mail, which we received on April 16, 2018. The contents of the attached records are responsive, specifically, to your request for:

- Number of expulsions and suspensions of students at Palisade High School...with the type of misconduct causing such disciplinary course 2012-2018 (later specified cutoff date of April 17, 2018).

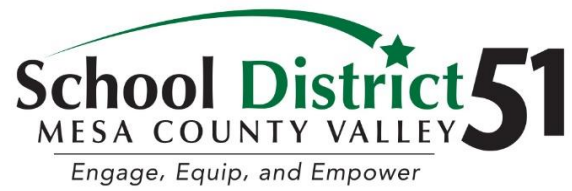
A D51 data analyst spent several hours compiling the attached spreadsheet, drawing from state reports. State reports do not list expulsions or suspensions by category, so the analyst pulled from individual records from Palisade to determine the category.

You also requested the above information for District 51 as a whole. Luckily, School Board reports list expulsions by category each month. I have attached to this email a chart from the board's June 30, 2017 meeting that shows end-of-year expulsion numbers and categories for 2012-13 through 2016-17, and the most recent board expulsion report for 2017-18, presented at the April 17, 2018 board meeting.

However, suspensions are not recorded in the same manner. It could take several days to pull records from across the district to determine the category for district-wide suspensions. District Policy allows D51 to charge \$30 per hour after the first hour of work to complete a CORA request. At least two hours have already been used to compile data for this request, but I chose not to charge for time past an hour for this request, as it appears to be for an academic research project. However, due to the great deal of time that the data analyst will have to redirect from her regular work to continue working on this CORA request if needed, I cannot offer the same discretion going forward. If you would like to continue with the request for the number of suspensions for D51 "with type of misconduct causing such disciplinary course 2012-2018," please let me know and provide a down payment of \$100, as this work will likely take at minimum another eight hours to complete, for a total cost of \$240.

In a separate document, also received on April 16, 2018, you requested:

- The number of property searches, including search of a personal vehicle, conducted by school administration at Palisade High School and in District 51 between the years of 2017 and 2018, and the results of these searches, whether or not they required disciplinary course thereafter.



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Unfortunately, we are unable to fulfill your request, as it does not appear that such a record exists.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me directly at 970-254-7912 or Emily.shockley@d51schools.org.

Sincerely,

Emily Shockley, Public Information Officer
Mesa County Valley School District 51