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RE: FOIA Request No. 23-02269-F

Dear Roman Jankowski

This is a status update regarding your request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, dated July 13, 2023, and received in the U.S. Department of Education's (Department) FOIA Service Center (FSC) on July 17, 2023.

When received, your request was forwarded to the appropriate office(s) within the Department to conduct a search for any responsive records. At this time, your request is still being processed.

We appreciate your patience as we work diligently to process your request. Please be advised that the average request processing time is approximately 185 business days. As this is an average, your request may take more time or may be processed sooner. You can check the status of your request at <https://foiaexpress.pal.ed.gov/app/CheckStatus.aspx>.

Narrowing or reformulating a request can often lead to decreased processing times. If you are interested in reformulating or narrowing your request, or have any other questions, please contact the FSC at 202-401-8365 or EDFOIAManager@ed.gov.

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Sincerely,

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