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Re: FOIA Request 14-835

Dear Mr. Hopkins:

I write to respond to your Freedom of Information request dated December 12, in which you requested:

- “• All records that show when the university conducted tests on student-athletes for the following drugs, the results of such tests:
 - o Nandrolone, nandrolone decanoate
 - o Boldenone, equipoise
 - o Stanozolol
 - o Methyltestosterone
 - o Methandienone
 - o Testosterone epitestosterone ratio greater than four to one
 - o Amphetamine
 - o Ephedrine
 - o cocaine
 - o THC, 11-nor-9-carboxy-delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol
- All university calendars, either electronic or hard-copy, that show when these tests of students-athletes occurred or were scheduled to occur.
- This request applies to academic years 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012 2012-2013, and 2013-2014.
- For any responsive information provided in this request, please separate or differentiate by sport and year.”

Information responsive to your request is available and attached. These are public documents numbering 5 pages.

A search was conducted and no “calendars” responsive to your request could be located. Please note, the record of when these tests occurred is only contained within documents regarding the testing of individual student-athletes. Such records are student records exempt from production under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. §1232g) and, thus, section 7(1)(a) of the Act, which exempts from disclosure “[i]nformation

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specifically prohibited from disclosure by federal or State law or rules and regulations implementing adopted under federal or State law.” Release of such information would also be an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, exempt from disclosure under section 7(1)(c) of the Act, which exempts “[p]ersonal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which, if disclosed, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information.”

Should you wish to inspect or receive a physical copy of these documents, please call Melanie Kuehn at the phone number below and she will provide you with all necessary details.

You have a right, under the law, to seek a review of this response by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) in the Office of the Attorney General. The PAC may be reached by phone at 217-782-1396, by email to publicaccess@atg.state.il.us, or by postal mail at the Public Access Bureau, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706. You also have the right to seek judicial review under section 11 of this Act.

If you have questions for our office, please contact 217-333-6400.

Sincerely,

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and Chief Records Officer