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Today, 9:58 AM
Jessie Fox

Hi Jessie.

Thank you for reaching out to us. I am the media contact for High School District 211. Superintendent Cates asked me to provide you with a response to your inquiry. Below is a comment, that if necessary, you can attribute to Dr. Cates.

Please let me know if you need further information or have additional questions. Thanks.

District 211 is one of the largest high school districts in Illinois with 12,000 students and a large staff of close to 1,000 licensed teachers. Our salaries are regionally competitive to attract and retain quality teachers, though our starting salaries and our highest salaries are not among the top 10 for high school districts in our area. Your report includes all forms of compensation, not just salary. Our learning communities provide quality public education opportunities and staff members commonly commit their careers to our students.

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From: Jessie Fox <Jessie.Fox@openthebooks.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2018 5:03 PM
To: Daniel Cates <dcates@d211.org>
Subject: Media Request for Forbes

Hi Daniel,

My name is Jessie Fox, and I'm conducting research for a columnist at Forbes. We looked through 2017 payroll data from the Teachers' Retirement System. Here is the sentence from the piece that mentions your district:

In Palatine Township High School 211, there were 594 educators pulling down six-figure salaries and 533 retirees receiving six-figure lifetime pensions.

I know our readers would appreciate any context, information, or comment you'd like to add to the narrative regarding these six-figure payments. We are working on a deadline. Please send your response by 5 pm (CST) tomorrow June 1. If you respond after this deadline, we will do our best to add your comment.

Thank you in advanced.

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