

Public Records Requests

It is the district's practice to comply with the Arizona public records law in a timely, accurate and complete manner. Fulfillment times vary depending on the location of the records and type of information requested; the district strives to fulfill requests within a reasonable period of time.

Public records of the District will be open for inspection by any person as provided by law.

Public record means any recorded information that is made, maintained, or kept by, or is in the possession of, the District. Such records include minutes of the Governing Board, agendas, financial records, contracts, and statistical summaries.

The office of the Superintendent will be open to receive requests for records inspection or copying during normal business hours on Monday through Friday. Requests for access to records shall be directed to the office of the Superintendent.

All persons requesting inspection and/or copying of public records must attest that they have not requested the public records of the District for a commercial purpose. If the records are requested for a commercial purpose, the requester must provide a statement, verified by the requester, setting forth the commercial purpose for which the materials will be used.

The above declaration will be made and signed on the official form provided by the District for requesting inspection and/or copying of public records.

The Superintendent shall permit access to, or provide for the copying of, the records requested within a reasonable period of time following receipt of the signed request or will provide an explanation of a cause for further delay and will give notification of the time the records will be available.

Requirements of access and inspection apply only to existing records and do not require creation of new records.

Public inspection of a document that otherwise would be a public record may be denied by the Superintendent if 1) the record is made confidential by statute, 2) the record involves the privacy interests of persons, or 3) disclosure would be detrimental to the best interests of the District. If a public record contains material that is not subject to disclosure, the District will delete such material and make available to the requester such material in the record as is subject to disclosure.

Records contained on a computer will be provided only in the form in which the information can be made available using existing computer programs. A fee shall be levied on each request to cover the cost of making copies. Fees will be collected prior to releasing material.

Fees for Records Requested for <u>Noncommercial Purpose</u> The fees will be based upon the following:

- Fifty cents (50¢) per page for a paper copy of a public record.
- Five dollars (\$5) per videotape, digital video disc (DVD), or compact disc (CD) of a public record
- Ten dollars (\$10) per electronic file or data (e.g., spreadsheets of e-mail addresses).
- Free copies of public records will be furnished, as required by state law, if they are to be used in claims against the United States.

Payments must be paid prior to receiving the documents.

All payments must be made by check made payable to: <u>Cave Creek Unified School District</u> and <u>mailed</u> to Cave Creek Unified School District #93 – ATTN: Human Resources - P.O. Box 426, Cave Creek, AZ 85331 or presented_to the Cave Creek Unified School District Administrative Office located at 33016 N. 60th Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85266

Fees for Records Requested for <u>Commercial Purpose</u> The fees will be based upon the following:

When a person requests copies, printouts or photographs of public records for a commercial purpose, the person shall provide a statement setting forth the commercial purpose for which the copies, printouts or photographs will be used. Upon being furnished the statement, the Superintendent may furnish reproductions of the such requested records. The charge for such records shall include the following: (ARS 39-121.03)

- A portion of the cost to the District for obtaining the original or copies of the documents, printouts or photographs.
- The value of the reproduction on the commercial marked as best determined by the District.
- The fee for paper or electronic copies of competitive bid files requested for a commercial purpose will be one hundred dollars (\$100) per bid file.
- The charge for other commercial public records will be one dollar (\$1) per page.

If the Superintendent determines that the intended commercial use is a misuse of the requested public records or is an abuse of the right to receive public records, the Superintendent may apply to the Governor requesting that the Governor, by executive order, prohibit the furnishing of copies, printouts or photographs for such commercial purpose. If the Governor determines that such public record shall not be provided for commercial purpose, the Governor shall issue an executive order prohibiting the providing of the requested records for such commercial purpose. If no order is issued within thirty days (30) of the date of application, the Superintendent shall provide reproductions of requested copies, printouts or photographs upon being paid the fee determined pursuant to this regulation.

The Superintendent shall advise the Board when District records are requested for commercial purposes.