Public Records – Right-to-Know Fee Schedule

The district will charge the following fees relating to public records:

1.	Paper copy standard size	– 25¢ per page.
2.	Electronic copying	 - 25¢ per page (only if tangible copy of page to be attached to e-mail must be made first)
3.	Certified copy	– \$5 per certified copy.
4.	Mailing	– actual mailing cost.

The district may waive fees in circumstances it deems appropriate.

Fees representing actual reasonable costs may be charged for staff time in cases where substantial time is required to comply with the request or for other costs not listed, subject to legal counsel opinion that the charges are permissible under applicable law.

Schedule Of Fees

The district is required to provide a public record in a requested medium only if the record exists in that medium. For example, if a request is made for an electronic copy of a paper record that is not held in electronic form, the district may provide an electronic copy, but is not required to do so. The district is not required to use a specific method of transmission. For example, if the district makes available for inspection and photocopying a record that is held only on paper, it is not required to then e-mail or fax a duplicate.

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- 1. <u>Paper copy standard size</u> **25**¢ **per page.** This fee applies anytime a record is copied to fulfill a request, including photocopying of a paper record or printing a copy of an electronic record. The district will charge a duplication fee for copies of redacted material it must make in order for a requester to view a public record. However, if the requester chooses to obtain these copies, the district will not charge an additional fee.
- 2. <u>Electronic copying</u> Electronic copies will normally be provided by e-mail attachment. The fee **is 25\phi per page** only if a tangible copy of the page to be attached to the email must be made first. [Note: If the district transmits an electronic copy, it is only permitted to charge 25ϕ per page <u>regardless</u> of the electronic format used for the copy, unless the requester asks for duplication in a more expensive format such as computer disk, in which case the district may provide the copy in an electronic format of its choice and charge 25ϕ per page, or may provide a copy in the more expensive format requested and charge the actual cost.]
- 3. <u>Certified copy</u> **\$5 per certified record** regardless of the number of pages, plus any applicable duplication fees. If a requester asks for certification of multiple records, a separate charge will be assessed for each record certified.
- 4. <u>Mailed copy</u> If a request is made for mailing and the district chooses to mail the copy instead of requiring personal pickup, the requester will pay the actual cost of postal fees plus any applicable duplication fees. [Note: Mailing is not required.]
- 5. <u>Facsimile transmission</u> If a request is made for facsimile transmission and the district chooses to fax the copy instead of requiring personal pickup, the requester will pay the actual cost of facsimile plus any applicable duplication and certification fees. [Note: Facsimile is not required.]
- 6. <u>Duplication in special formats</u> If a request is made for duplication in a special format and the district chooses to comply, the fee will be the actual cost. Specialized formats include, but are not limited to, removable electronic storage devices, color copies, and non-standard sized documents. [Note: Duplication in special formats is not required.]

The district may waive fees in circumstances it deems appropriate. If the district receives a request for personal inspection of a record, but decides it is more convenient to mail, fax, or e-mail a copy of the record, the district will waive the fees associated with duplication and transmission.