

**Subject:** RE: FOIA Request - Bus, August 23  
**From:** Melissa Bradford <MBradford@dps61.org>  
**Date:** 9/13/23, 16:30  
**To:** Reed Sutman <reed@decaturnvote.com>

Good afternoon,

Please see Decatur Public School's attached response to your below FOIA request.

Could you please send me an email receipt? The purpose of the receipt is to verify that you received the email and the attachments from DPS 61.

Thanks,

Melissa Bradford  
Freedom of Information Officer  
Decatur Public School District 61

-----Original Message-----

From: Melissa Bradford  
Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2023 9:00 AM  
To: Reed Sutman <reed@decaturnvote.com>  
Subject: RE: FOIA Request - Bus, August 23

Good morning,

Please see Decatur Public School's extension letter regarding your below FOIA request.

Could you please send me an email receipt? The purpose of the receipt is to verify that you received the email and the attachment from DPS 61.

Melissa Bradford  
Freedom of Information Officer  
Decatur Public School District 61

-----Original Message-----

From: Reed Sutman <reed@decaturnvote.com>  
Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2023 12:16 PM  
To: Melissa Bradford <MBradford@dps61.org>  
Subject: FOIA Request - Bus, August 23

This request is regarding an August 23 bus incident reported by Herald & Review at [https://herald-review.com/news/local/education/decaturn-bus-incident-was-false-alarm/article\\_f2a94dbe-42b1-11ee-a2ad-2fd112c7d188.html](https://herald-review.com/news/local/education/decaturn-bus-incident-was-false-alarm/article_f2a94dbe-42b1-11ee-a2ad-2fd112c7d188.html), in which the article states "Decatur police, an ambulance and school district personnel were summoned to the scene at North Edward and West Sawyer streets at approximately 4 p.m"

I request the following:

1. Any and all video footage from the incident
2. Any and all photos of the incident
3. Any and all reports on the incident created by DPS staff or DPS partners/contractors
4. Any and all reports on the incident received from Police
5. Any and all reports on the incident received from Alltown bus service or their partners
6. Name, email, & phone number of the driver involved
7. A record of complaints/incidents involving said bus driver. I have a tip that there was a May 19th ticket involving this driver.

8. A list of district personnel who were "summoned to the scene"
9. All texts and emails of those individuals returned by #8, from 2:00pm August 23 to 7:00pm August 23

Please note that voluminous request & recurrent requestor do not apply, because this is for a news organization for public dissemination.

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Reed Sutman  
DecaturVote.com  
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— Attachments: —

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SIGNED DPS 61 Response Letter Bus August 23 09.13.23.pdf	1.2 MB
Alltown - Seniority List.pdf	587 KB
Accident IL Citation Wilbur Felton Bus 16 05.19.23-Redacted.pdf	693 KB
Accident Paperwork Alltown Wilbur Felton 05.19.23-Redacted.pdf	1.2 MB
Email Admin at Scene on 08.23.23.pdf	136 KB
Emails re Bus on 08.23.23.pdf	199 KB