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DES-FOI-2019-0126	Other	25/03/2019	Refused	Advisory Group on Reasonable Accommodations in the State Examinations. The Advisory Group completed its Final Report in 2008. (i) Copies of all consideration of the Final Report of the Advisory Group by the Department (ii) Copies of all decisions taken by the Department in relation to implementing the recommendations of the Advisory Group or otherwise.
DES-FOI-2019-0103	Business/Interest Group	29/03/2019	Part-Granted	(a) Number of Teachers/Hours etc.(b) Number of Management Posts - AP1, AP2 plus Acting Posts.
DES-FOI-2019-0102	Journalist	29/03/2019	Refused	A record of all correspondence, including but not limited to letters, emails, briefing documents, draft briefing documents, memos meeting notes and other records associated with the following lobbying activity and meetings: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/37249/archdiocese-of-dublin .
DES-FOI-2019-0094	Journalist	27/03/2019	Granted	A full list of all funding approved for capital projects at fee-paying primary and secondary schools in the last five years. The specifications of each these capital projects where funding was approved.
DES-FOI-2019-0091	Other	12/03/2019	Part-Granted	Request about the number of posts (AP1 & AP2) allocated for the academic year 2018-2019 at Kildare Town Community School.
DES-FOI-2019-0105	Journalist	26/03/2019	Refused	Correspondence between the Department of Education (ETB Financial/ Administrative Personnel) and Education and Training Boards Ireland (ETBI) in relation to the status of religion classes during the school day at second level, between September 2018 up to date of processing this request.
DES-FOI-2019-0104	Journalist	13/03/2019	Granted	Correspondence between the Minister for Education and his office and the NCCA in relation to the review of history on the Junior Cycle curriculum, between January 1st 2019 up to the date of processing this request.
DES-FOI-2019-0040	Other	15/03/2019	Refused	Advisory Group on Reasonable Accommodations in the State Examinations. The Advisory Group completed its Final Report in 2008. (i) Copies of all consideration of the Final Report of the Advisory Group by the Department (ii) Copies of all decisions taken by the Department in relation to implementing the recommendations of the Advisory Group or otherwise.

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DES-FOI-2019-0079	Business/Interest Group	14/03/2019	Refused	<p>Communications, emails and written correspondence during calendar year 2018, concerning Circular Letters to schools on the Religious Education course, or sex education" 1.Communications, emails and written correspondence during calendar year 2018 with the ETBI, concerning Circular Letters to schools, the Religious Education course, or sex education. 2.Communications, emails and written correspondence during calendar year 2018 with the Catholic Schools Partnership, concerning Circular Letters to schools, the Religious Education course, or sex education. 3. Communications, emails and written correspondence during calendar year 2018 with the Irish Episcopal Conference, concerning Circular Letters to schools, the Religious Education course, or sex education. 4.All communications, emails and written correspondence during calendar year 2018 with the NCCA, concerning Circular Letters to schools, the Religious Education course, or sex education. 5.All communications, emails and written correspondence during calendar year 2018 with the TUI, concerning Circular Letters to schools, the Religious Education course, or sex education. 6.All communications, emails and written correspondence during calendar year 2018 with the Association of Trustees for Catholic Schools, concerning Circular Letters to schools, the Religious Education course, or sex education.</p>

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DES-FOI-2019-0082	Business/Interest Group	12/03/2019	Part-Granted	The “PSB Assumptions Report” and the “Price Change Report” for Schools PPP Bundle 1 (these reports are referred to on page 28 and 35 respectively of the NDFA Briefing Note submitted to the Public Accounts Committee in March 2018 (available here:) •The “2nd Bundle of Schools Public Sector Benchmark (“PSB”) Assumptions underlying the PSB” report and the “Price Changes Report” for Schools Bundle 2 (both reports are referred to on p. 86 of the aforementioned NDFA Briefing Note submitted to the PAC linked to in the bullet point above) •The “Schools PPP Programme, Schools Bundle 3 - Public Sector Benchmark (“PSB”), Assumptions underlying the PSB” report and the “Price Change Report” for Schools Bundle 3 (both reports are referred to on p. 94 of the aforementioned NDFA Briefing Note submitted to the PAC linked to in the first bullet point above)
DES-FOI-2019-0076	Other	11/03/2019	Refused	Copies of records/documents/notes /correspondence, in the period 1st June 2018 to date, which the Department has in its possession, regarding the proposal by CEIST to close St Maryrs College, Ballisodare, Co Sligo.
DES-FOI-2019-0078	Client	19/03/2019	Granted	A copy of all records of consultations with any national association of parents in regard to the procedures referred to at subsection (4) of Section 29 of the Education Act 1998.
DES-FOI-2019-0067	Other	06/03/2019	Granted	The Board of Management requests a copy of the external quantity surveyor's report done in respect of Scoil Mhuire 19529C on the lands in Kilrainey Woods, Moycullen proposed by the board as the site for the construction of our new school. This report issued to the Buildings Unit, Tullamore in late 2018.The Board of Management also requests copies of all technical reports of any kind done in respect of Scoil Mhuire 19529C during the period 2010 to date.
DES-FOI-2019-0072	Journalist	25/02/2019	Transferred	All reports, emails and correspondences concerning representations or applications for the establishment of an Autism Spectrum Disorder unit in St Patricks National School, Gardiners Hill, Cork City. I am applying for such documents generated within the timeframe between 1 January 2017 and 31 January 2019.

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DES-FOI-2019-0023	Journalist	27/02/2019	Granted	The amount spent on renting prefabs for primary schools since 2014, broken down annually and by county. The amount spent on renting prefabs for secondary schools since 2014, broken down annually and by county. The number of schools that are currently renting a prefab, broken down by county.
DES-FOI-2019-0019	Other	12/03/2019	Part-Granted	1201558/SR - documents that are referred to in that letter.; A copy of the seven letters that were sent to the Ministers for Education office on: 27 Jan 2012; 30th October 2012; 7th March 2013; 12th May 2014; 26th May 2014; 3rd March 2015 and 8th November 2016, and the supporting documentation as outlined in the letter.
DES-FOI-2019-0065	Oireachtas/Public Representatives	07/03/2019	Granted	The postcode addresses of pupils attending secondary schools in Dublin 6 and Dublin 6w. I don't need the Eircode, but just the Dublin code (Ex: Dublin 6 or D24)
DES-FOI-2019-0017	Other	15/02/2019	Refused	A Letter by Minister of State for Higher Education, Ms. Mary Mitchell O'Connor, to the staff member at GMIT, who wrote an email to Mr. Joe McHugh in October 2018
DES-FOI-2019-0007	Journalist	07/03/2019	Granted	All briefing material prepared for the Secretary General of the Department of Education relating to the Dail's Public Accounts Committee appearance on December 13th, 2018.
DES-FOI-2019-0057	Other	04/03/2019	Granted	Correspondence from 1st January 2016 to date, sent by 1. The Minister of Education and Skills and 2. The Department of Education and Skills to Dundalk Institute of Technology (DKIT) relating to Technological University status for DKIT.
DES-FOI-2019-0058	Journalist	05/03/2019	Deemed Refused	Records referencing the public health alcohol bill 2018, rural isolation, and health claims made by the HSE with reference to the bill, or to alcohol consumption. Any correspondence to the office of Minister Mary Mitchell O'Connor with reference to the above. Any records containing reference to same.
DES-FOI-2019-0053	Journalist	05/03/2019	Granted	The number of primary and post-primary teachers currently assigned to schools in Kerry. Any correspondence between the Department of Education and primary or post-primary school principals in relation to recruitment issues or struggles finding teaching staff in Kerry during the period January 1st 2017 to 31st December 2018
DES-FOI-2019-0055	Journalist	04/03/2019	Refused	A record of correspondence, briefing documents, draft briefing documents, memos meeting notes and other records associated with the following lobbying activity and meetings: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/35975/pr360.

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DES-FOI-2019-0016	Business/Interest Group	26/02/2019	Granted	Correspondence between the various teaching unions across Ireland and the Department of Education and Skills in relation to implementing IEPs or equivalents for students with special educational needs since the introduction of the new Special Education Teaching allocation
DES-FOI-2019-0006	Journalist	27/02/2019	Refused	1) All correspondence from May 1 2018 to December 31 2018 between the Governing Body and/or senior management of Galway Mayo Institute of Technology (GMIT), or agents acting on their behalf, and the Minister for Education and/or senior department officials in relation to governance of GMIT 2) All correspondence from May 1 2018 to December 31 2018 between Senator Michelle Mulherin and the minister for Education and/or senior department officials in relation to governance of GMIT
DES-FOI-2019-0052	Other	26/02/2019	Granted	Copies of documents relating to the granting of full school status to Jonah Special School, Slieverue, Co. Kilkenny, Roll 20380B in 2017
DES-FOI-2019-0051	Other	25/02/2019	Granted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * The job description for the DPO role; * The steps taken to advertise or recruit for the DPO role, including details of any internal or external competition; * The criteria for the appointment of the DPO; * The qualifications of the new DPO; * Any guidance or training given to the DPO; * The reporting arrangements for the DPO to "directly report to the highest management level"; * The steps taken to ensure that the DPO is independent and does not have any conflict of interest; and * The staff/resources/budget given to the DPO.
DES-FOI-2019-0037	Journalist	21/02/2019	Refused	All records associated with this entry in the lobbying database: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/37249/archdiocese-of-dublin
DES-FOI-2019-0042	Other	20/02/2019	Part-Granted	Access to Whole School Evaluation records re Castleknock Educate Together NS, Jan 2018
DES-FOI-2019-0039	Other	25/02/2019	Refused	(i) A copy of the request from the Department of Education and Skills to the State Examinations Commission to conduct a review of the Scheme of Reasonable Accommodations. (ii) A copy of the Terms of Reference for the review (iii) The date of the commencement of the review.

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DES-FOI-2019-0038	Other	25/02/2019	Granted	(i) The written criteria used by the Department in determining whether the recommendations of the State Examinations Commission are upheld or otherwise. (ii) The grade(s) of the Departmental officials involved in the decision-making process. (iii) The grade of the Department official who signs-off on the process. (iv) The manner in which the decisions of the Department are communicated to the State Examinations Commission (email, letter etc.).
DES-FOI-2019-0035	Journalist	26/02/2019	Refused	All records associated with this entry in the lobbying database: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/36243/link-consulting
DES-FOI-2019-0031	Journalist	19/02/2019	Granted	Minutes of meetings between the Archdiocese of Dublin and the Minister and Hubert Loftus on a number of dates between 1 September 2018 and 31 December 2018. Specifically information about the meeting outlined on the lobbying register here: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/37249/archdiocese-of-dublin
DES-FOI-2019-0033	Journalist	20/02/2019	Granted	Correspondence between this department and Microsoft for the past two years.-The minutes of any meetings between the department and Microsoft for the past two years.
DES-FOI-2019-0027	Other	19/02/2019	Refused	Records of communications between the Secretary-General of the Department, and any official representing the State Claims Agency on 4 December 2018.
DES-FOI-2019-0030	Journalist	15/02/2019	Refused	Correspondence between the Teachers Union of Ireland and Minister Joe McHugh regarding the extension of the Leaving Certificate timetable between 1 September 2018 and 31 September 2018.
DES-FOI-2019-0029	Journalist	18/02/2019	Part-Granted	Copies of all emails between John Gallagher on behalf of the Irish Federation of University Teachers, Minister Mary Mitchell O'Connor and Roy Dooney in the period 1 September 2018 to 31 December 2018 in relation to the Report of the Task Force on gender equality in third level education. Copies of any electronic or handwritten notes, briefing materials or other documents prepared for or in relation to phone calls between John Gallagher on behalf of the Irish Federation of University Teachers, Minister Mary Mitchell O'Connor and Roy Dooney in the period 1 September 2018 to 31 December 2018 in relation to the Report of the Task Force on gender equality in third level education.

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DES-FOI-2019-0026	Journalist	19/02/2019	Part-Granted	Copies of electronic or handwritten notes, agendas or minutes relating to the meeting between Joe McHugh and Mary Mitchell O'Connor and members of the Irish Universities Association held in the period 1st September 2018 to 31st December 2018.
DES-FOI-2019-0020	Journalist	14/02/2019	Refused	The number of students on the Post-Primary Online Database who currently have an exemption from studying Irish in EACH secondary school in Ireland. The number of students on the Post-Primary Online Database who had an exemption from studying Irish in EACH secondary school in Ireland.
DES-FOI-2019-0022	Journalist	01/02/2019	Granted	The number of fire safety reports/audits carried out on schools in Longford during 2018 in tabular form. The number of fire safety reports/audits carried out on schools in Roscommon during 2018 in tabular form. The number of fire safety reports/audits carried out on schools in Leitrim during 2018 in tabular form. The details of any remedial works carried out at schools in Longford as result of fire safety reports/audits in 2018 in tabular form. The details of any remedial works carried out at schools in Roscommon as result of fire safety reports/audits in 2018 in tabular form. The details of any remedial works carried out at schools in Leitrim as result of fire safety reports/audits in 2018 in tabular form.
DES-FOI-2019-0021	Journalist	12/02/2019	Refused	The number of students who currently have an exemption from studying Irish in EACH primary school in Ireland (figures as of October 2018)- The number of students who had an exemption from studying Irish in EACH primary school in Ireland in October 2017.
DES-FOI-2019-0015	Other	21/01/2019	Granted	Details of the Department's (and agencies and bodies under the Department's aegis which are subject to FOI) monetary threshold above which you are required to obtain quotations with respect to procurement of products and services.

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DES-FOI-2019-0012	Other	07/02/2019	Granted	Communications between the (then) Dept of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Rehab (and its constituent training parts) and other concerned Departments, in respect of the European Court Decision of 2005 not to uphold the the Department's plea that it was "unfair" of the EU to apply new rules half "way through the 1994 to 2000" community programme and make those new rules retrospective to 1994. Representations made by Rehab, its constituents parts to have the grant monies secured and/or restored. Briefing notes prepared for the Dept of the Taoiseach in relation to these matters. The response of the Department when the EU Commission changed the rule governing the provision ESF grants which In 2004/05, according to Rehab and its training division, put in doubt the legitimacy of its use of ESF training grants since 1994.
DES-FOI-2019-0008	Journalist	06/02/2019	Part-Granted	Details of earnings of teachers by pay band (ie over euro;30,000, over euro 40,000 and so on) to include the number of teachers, their role/division, grossbasic pay, allowances and overtime, given separately, and any other earnings, and the total, during 2018.
DES-FOI-2019-0004	Business/Interest Group	04/02/2019	Refused	Records of correspondence, including e-mail correspondence, between the Department of Education & Skills and the National University of Ireland, Galway, concerning grading and job evaluation for academic and other staff at that university.
DES-FOI-2019-0001	Journalist	04/02/2019	Granted	The amount of money paid to substitute primary teachers in wages in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018, broken down annually. The ten highest amounts paid in wages to substitute primary teachers in 2018. The amount of money paid to substitute secondary teachers in wages in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018, broken down annually. The ten highest amounts paid in wages to substitute secondary teachers in 2018.