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**Custodian of Records**  
**Knox County School**  
912 South Gay Street,  
Knoxville, Tennessee 37902

Dear **Custodian of Records**,

Under the **Tennessee Open Records Act, §10-7-503 et seq.**, I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain copies of public records of email communications, memos, text messaging, or internal messaging platforms regarding the decision making process and implementation of segregating and isolating students who refuse to wear masks in Knox County Schools dated 9/19/21 through 9/28/21. Further, we would like to **substantiate reports** of children being forced to wear masks or not be served lunch at the standard or appropriate times, those students who were not allowed to communicate with parents regarding their forced segregation and any formal parent complaints/reports of bullying by the administration.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me if the cost will exceed \$250. However, I would also like to request a waiver of all fees in that the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of how these students are being treated. This information is not being sought for commercial purposes.

**The Tennessee Open Records Act requires a response time within seven days.**

If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

**Brandon Lewis**  
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