

WAC 132Y-320-075 Requests for public records. (1) The public records officer or their designee will provide the fullest assistance to any member of the public requesting to inspect the records of the district. However, a person seeking records must make a specific request for identifiable records and must clearly state that the inquiry is a public records request. The district is under no legal obligation to create a new record to satisfy a records request.

(2) The district encourages requestors to use the public records request form made available by the public records office on the district's website at www.edcc.edu. The form may be submitted online, by email, mail, fax, or presented to the public records officer, or to any member of the district's staff if the public records officer is not available, at the administrative offices of the district during customary office hours. If a request is made verbally, and the requestor has provided an email or mailing address, the public records officer will follow up with an email or letter confirming receipt of the request.

At a minimum, the request, regardless of how it is submitted, should include the following information:

- (a) The name of the person requesting the record;
- (b) The mailing address, email address, or phone number of the person requesting the record;
- (c) The time of day and calendar date on which the request was made;
- (d) The nature of the request;
- (e) A description of the specific record requested;
- (f) The manner in which the requestor would like to review the records.

(3) The public records officer or their designee will take action on a request for public records in as timely a manner as possible. In accordance with RCW 42.56.520, the requestor will receive a response within five days of receipt of the request by the district. If the request cannot be completed within five days, the public records officer will provide a reasonable time estimate for a complete response to the request. If the request is particularly large or complex, resulting in a large number of responsive documents and/or requiring significant redaction, the public records officer and the requestor may enter into an agreement by which the records are made available in installments at specified intervals.

(4) If the requestor fails to respond within thirty days to a request from the public records officer for clarification of all or part of the public records request, the request or part of the request requiring clarification will be considered withdrawn and no further action will be taken.

(5) The requestor must claim or review the assembled records within thirty days of receiving notification that the records are available for inspection or copying. If the requestor or a representative of the requestor fails to claim or review the records within the thirty-day period or make other arrangements, the district will close the request and refile the assembled records.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.50.140. WSR 18-19-046, amended and recodified as § 132Y-320-075, filed 9/14/18, effective 10/15/18. Statutory Authority: Chapter 28B.19 RCW. WSR 89-12-057 (Resolution No. 89-5-4), § 132Y-320-080, filed 6/6/89.]