**Read-Me File for FOIA Data for Crowd-Out Project**

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The FOIA CD contains 3 file folders.

1. 1989-2011 Sanctions SUBJECT TO SANCTIONS with Appeal Type and Status

* There is one pdf document in it labeled “School Eligibility.”
* It has 355 pages and the following fields:
  + OPEID, School Name, and Year
  + Sanction Description (e.g., Immediate Loss of GSL, FFEL, and FDSLP)
  + Reason Description (e.g., Three CDRs equal to 35% or greater)
* Despite the name of this folder, I do not see appeal information here.
* But, it does contain the reasons for loss of T4 for all years and the type of loss, which is quite helpful!

1. 1990-2000 All Sanctions by Year

* There is one pdf document in the folder labeled “School Eligibility.”
* It has 27 pages and the following fields:
  + School Number (OPEID), School Name, State, Year
  + Action Type (e.g., 5a)
  + Action Explanation (e.g., “Loss of FFEL and/or FDSLP, Appeal Lost” or “…Extended”). This corresponds with the codes in the previous field.
  + Action Text Definition (e.g., “Program Certification Denied and Status Updated in PEPs Due to Loss of Appeal”)
  + Action Date (e.g., 9/7/1992)

1. 2000-2011 Sanction Status

* There is one pdf document in this folder labeled “School Eligibility.” (again!)
* It has just 2 pages and the following fields:
  + OPEID, School Name, State, Year
  + Sanction Status (e.g., “Lost Program Eligibility” or “Retained Program Eligibility”).
* From what I can tell, these last two folders contain similar information on appeals, just for different years.
* I believe both folder both just show the results of the appeals for the set of schools that appealed.
* Eventually, I am guessing that we would want to append these latter two files for analysis.
* In folder (2) above, I think the “Action Explanation” is the closest corresponding field to “Sanction Status” here.