



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Monday, April 3, 2017

[REDACTED]

RE: Reported Incident: [REDACTED] *Alleged Bullying Grievance*

Dear [REDACTED]

This letter is in reference to concerns that were brought to the attention of DCPS on March 22, 2017 regarding your, *Student*, [REDACTED]. Specifically, you allege the lack of supervision at [REDACTED] has resulted in several incidents of your student being bullied. These specific incidents include:

- Being beat up during afterschool program
- Choked during recess and threatened- specifically, [REDACTED] when 3 first grade students admittedly pushed and/or hit your student during recess
- Taunted by a group of students while using bathroom

As a result of these incidents, you state your student suffers from [REDACTED] and you are requesting an immediate transfer for student.

In response, DCPS proposed to take the following measures:

1. Counseling support services from the school psychologist [REDACTED] on a weekly basis.
2. Direct adult supervision during recess, bathroom breaks, and transitions with [REDACTED]
3. Whole class conversations with select Kindergarten and 1st grade classrooms around respectful behavior, safe hands and feet, and appropriate play and interactions at recess.
4. Peer mediation with social worker [REDACTED] and school psychologist [REDACTED] as soon as student returns.
5. A tour of [REDACTED]
6. Instructional Superintendent [REDACTED] has approved a transfer for [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] will begin at [REDACTED] on [REDACTED].

DCPS conducted an investigation which included speaking with you, [REDACTED] staff, and other students/person identified as witnesses and/or deemed relevant. Based on the findings of the investigation, the reported actions do not constitute a violation of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.

DCPS does not tolerate the mistreatment of students in any form to include bullying, sexual harassment, or other forms of discrimination. Nor does DCPS tolerate retaliation for reporting behavior that could constitute mistreatment and such behavior should be reported immediately.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of this investigation, you have the right to file an appeal within 10 calendar days of receipt of this letter. Appeals must be submitted in writing. Appeal requests may be submitted via U.S. Postal Mail to 1200 First St., 9th Floor; Attn: Resolution Grievance Division or via email at dcps.grievance@dc.gov. You may also contact the U.S. Department of Education, Office on Civil Rights (1-800-421-3481) to report any educational discrimination on the basis of race, sex, disability, etc.

If you have further questions or concerns about this letter or other issues, please do not hesitate to contact us at dcps.grievance@dc.gov or 202.442.5405. Thank you for taking steps to making DCPS a safe and welcoming environment.

