



April 4, 2017

[REDACTED]

RE: Letter of Response for Grievance filed

Dear [REDACTED]

This letter is in reference to concerns that were brought to the attention of DCPS regarding your son [REDACTED]. More specifically, you shared concerns about [REDACTED] incident with another student and concerns about the staff members in the classroom properly addressing the physical conflict between the students. We spoke on the phone about these concerns on Tuesday, April 4.

In addition, the incident was investigated on the day of the issue [REDACTED]. The students were playing a game in class to build community, the student's argued about whose turn it was and it escalated into a physical fight. It ended quickly and both students went back into the classroom. [REDACTED] left the classroom and then walked out of the building. [REDACTED] teacher [REDACTED] and I located [REDACTED] a few blocks away and AP [REDACTED] brought her car so we could provide a safe place to de-escalate [REDACTED] and keep him safe. We called [REDACTED] and drove [REDACTED] home.

In order to address these issues, DCPS will implement the following measures:

1. Investigation into staff members actions to prevent/address the conflict between the students;
2. Peer mediation between the two students;
3. Presentation on conflict resolution from the social workers and support staff at [REDACTED]

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. The appeal 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.

Regards,
[REDACTED]