



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Office of the Chief Operating Officer

VIA EMAIL

April 6, 2020

[REDACTED]

RE: Letter of Response for Grievance #2625 filed on November 29, 2018

Dear [REDACTED]

In accordance with Chapter 24 Subtitle 5-B, Section 2405 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, DC Public Schools (DCPS) Comprehensive Alternative Resolution and Equity (CARE) team has completed its investigation of the above referenced grievance.

Grievance Issues

Based on a review of the information provided, the written grievance raised the following issues under the jurisdiction of this office:

1. **24 DCMR Subtitle 5-B, Section 2405.2 (c)** - where it is alleged that any student or group of students is being subjected to an arbitrary or unreasonable regulation, procedure, or standard of conduct. You allege [REDACTED] forces students to stand outside in the morning until 8:20am.

Review Procedure

The review included interviews with the following individuals:

1. [REDACTED] Principal

The investigation included review of the following documents which were either submitted by the complainant, submitted by the school, or accessible via DCPS data systems:

1. [REDACTED] Parent Handbook

General Findings of Fact

1. On December 19, 2019, [REDACTED] School Principal [REDACTED] reported that school doors would open at 8:20am and that parents had been informed and encouraged not to drop off beforehand.

-
2. [REDACTED] Parent Handbook states "...the front door will be locked until 8:20am and no one will be allowed in early.... instruction begins at 8:45am."

Discussion/Conclusion

As a result of this review, DCPS has found the following:

1. **24 DCMR Subtitle 5-B, Section 2405.2 (c)** is not substantiated. According to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] arrival procedures, students are permitted to enter the building beginning at 8:20am, prior to instruction beginning at 8:45am. There is a lack of evidence to suggest students are forced to stand outside.

As the complainant, if you are not satisfied with the outcome, you have the right to file an appeal. Appeals must be submitted in writing and received within 10 calendar days of receipt of this notice. Please submit appeal requests to the Office of Integrity via U.S. Postal Mail to 1200 First St., NE, 11th Floor; Attn: CIO or via email at dcps.cio@k12.dc.gov. You may also contact the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (1-800-421-3481) to report any educational discrimination.

Sincerely,



Anitra Allen-King, Director CARE

CC: Principal
Instructional Superintendent