

VIA EMAIL

April 13, 2020

RE: Letter of Response for Grievance #2824 filed on February 12, 2019

To Whom it May Concern:

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

## **Grievance Issues**

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

5-B DCMR 2405.2 (e): Where a student is a victim of bullying or harassment, including sexual harassment. It is alleged that the student of the students. These allegations fall under Federal Title IX Law of the Education Amendment of 1972 ("Title IX"). Title IX prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex which includes sexual harassment and sexual violence.

## **Conclusion**

DCPS has taken the following action as a result of these allegations:

1. On April 2, 2020, DCPS CARE contacted Labor Management Employee Relations (LMER) and confirmed their knowledge of the allegations outlined in this grievance. Their findings and any disciplinary actions will remain confidential due to employee privacy guidelines.

DCPS will review all available information related to this incident to determine whether employee misconduct has occurred. Although DCPS appreciates your need to know the results of its review, we are unable to share the results of personnel investigations, including any employee disciplinary action that may have been taken, because this information is contained in confidential employee records.

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, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor; Attn: CIO or via email at <u>dcps.cio@k12.dc.gov</u>. You may also contact the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (1-800-421-3481) to report any educational discrimination. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at <u>dcps.care@k12.dc.gov</u> or 202.442.5405.

Sincerely,

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Anitra Allen-King, Director CARE

cc: Principal Instructional Superintendent LMER