



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Office of the Chief Operating Officer

BY EMAIL

April 17, 2020

RE: Letter of Response for Grievance #3356 filed on September 13, 2019

Dear [REDACTED]

In accordance with 24 DCMR 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 preliminary investigation of the above referenced grievance.

Based on a review of the information provided, the 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 was reported that while taking a trauma screening on [REDACTED] reported that he was sexually assaulted during the previous school year.

The preliminary investigation included speaking with Principal [REDACTED], Social Worker [REDACTED], and a phone conversation with you on [REDACTED]. During our conversation, you explained that [REDACTED] is autistic, has challenges with comprehension, and misunderstood the questions in the survey. You went on to state that [REDACTED] went to [REDACTED] to speak to a psychologist and it was determined that [REDACTED] was not sexually assaulted during [REDACTED]. As a result of this review, we have found that the claim does not warrant further investigation. This matter is considered closed at this time.

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, 10th 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.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at dcps.care@k12.dc.gov or 202.442.5405.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Cc: Principal
Instructional Superintendent