



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Office of the Chief Operating Officer

BY EMAIL

May 10, 2021

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

RE: Letter of Response for Grievance #3876 filed on March 30, 2021

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. Student [REDACTED] went to a photographer to have their senior photos taken. After contacting the photographer for an update regarding the photos, Student [REDACTED] received a video via text message of someone performing a sexual act in the shower. Due to the proximity in time between contacting the photographer and receiving the text message, it was alleged that the photographer sent the inappropriate text message.

The preliminary investigation included interviewing [REDACTED], Parent of Student [REDACTED], Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Detective [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] Admissions Coordinator [REDACTED]. MPD Detective [REDACTED] could not confirm the identity of the individual in the video. Although the reported behavior was unwelcomed, DCPS is unable to determine who sent the video. Additionally, the reported behavior did not limit the ability of any of the student's participation or benefit from the educational environment. As a result, DCPS has determined that this claim does not warrant further investigation and is closing this matter at this time.

Although this matter is closed DCPS and [REDACTED] has taken or will take the following actions:

1. On March 29, 2021, [REDACTED] Admissions Coordinator [REDACTED] filed a report with the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD).

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2. On March 29, 2021, [REDACTED] Admissions Coordinator [REDACTED] filed a report with the Child and Family Services Administration (CFSA).

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 Chief Integrity Officer (CIO) via U.S. Postal Mail to 1200 First St., NE, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor; Attn: CIO or via email at [dcps.cio@k12.dc.gov](mailto: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](mailto:dcps.care@k12.dc.gov) or 202.442.5405.

Sincerely,



Anitra Allen, Director CARE

Cc: Principal  
Instructional Superintendent