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Your request

On January 12, 2021, the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, notified Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) that it had opened a directed investigation regarding FCPS' provision of educational services to children with disabilities during the COVID-19 pandemic. On May 4, 2021, OCR forwarded to FCPS an initial data request letter in this matter (OCR Directed Investigation #11-21-5901). The OCR attorney assigned to this investigation is Sara Clash-Drexler at 202-453-5906, or sara.clash-drexler@ed.gov I am the Section 504 Specialist for FCPS, and will be the internal lead to respond to OCR's data request in this matter. The information that I am interested in obtaining via this FOIA request is any information that OCR used to support its decision to initiate a directed investigation (e.g., press reports, televised news reports, parent or community communications, etc.)

Fees

What type of requester are you?
educational

Fee waiver
yes

Fee waiver justification
Disclosure of requested information is in the public interest.

Request expedited processing

Expedited processing
yes

Justification for expedited processing
FCPS is the subject of a directed investigation for which it is required to collect and submit a large amount of data to the USDOE OCR. The data request that was forwarded to FCPS references "disturbing reports" involving FCPS' provision of educational services, but only offers one example of this allegation. FCPS is at a great disadvantage to adequately respond to this investigation in the absence of the specific information that OCR used to decide to initiate an investigation of this type.

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