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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL**

January 15, 2021

RE: FOIA Request No. 21-00014-F-IG

This is in response to your December 26, 2020, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Department of Education (ED) Office of Inspector General (OIG) for a list of all closed OIG investigations for the 2020 calendar year.

We have identified and enclosed four (4) pages of documents responsive to your request. Information has been redacted pursuant to Exemptions (b)(6) and (b)(7)(C) of FOIA to protect personal privacy interests. The information withheld under Exemptions (b)(6) and (b)(7)(C) includes individual names and other personally identifying information.

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U.S. Department of Education
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Sincerely,

Antigone Potamianos

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**OIG Investigations
Folders Report**
Closed Date between 1/1/2020 and 12/31/2020

Date: 01/11/2021
Time: 9:32:05 AM

| Case Type | Case No | Title | Case Workflow Status | Date Investigation Opened | Closed Date | Investigative Case Type | Focus Areas |
|---------------|-----------|---|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Investigation | 09-000320 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), ET AL | Completed On Time | 03/10/2009 | 01/02/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 10-041026 | DISTANCE EDUCATION FRAUD RING – N DIST/MS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 12/23/2009 | 09/01/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 10-060779 | AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COLLEGE | Completed On Time | 08/26/2011 | 05/18/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 10-060801 | TAKS TEST IRREGULARITIES AT EL PASO ISD | Completed On Time | 05/04/2012 | 09/28/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Public Corruption |
| Investigation | 11-060903 | VARNETT PUBLIC SCHOOL | Completed On Time | 09/27/2011 | 09/22/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Charter School |
| Investigation | 11-041380 | Train College (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 10/12/2011 | 09/30/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 12-060953 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 01/10/2012 | 07/02/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Public Corruption |
| Investigation | 12-051061 | NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, ET. AL | Completed On Time | 12/05/2012 | 06/18/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 13-041587 | TRIDENT TECHNICAL COLLEGE (SOUTH CAROLINA) EDUCATION FRAUD RING | Completed On Time | 01/20/2015 | 05/20/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 13-091440 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) FRAUD RING | Completed On Time | 12/20/2012 | 02/11/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 13-041603 | DISTANCE EDUCATION FRAUD RING GREENWOOD, MS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 01/23/2013 | 08/19/2020 | ED Employee Misconduct | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 13-091474 | RIO HONDO FRAUD RING | Completed On Time | 05/16/2013 | 07/02/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 13-041655 | Puerto Rico Department of Education (San Juan Educational Region) - School Transportation Fraud | Completed On Time | 08/22/2013 | 12/03/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 14-061125 | BPCC - Fraud Ring | Completed On Time | 07/30/2015 | 04/13/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 14-061134 | Tarrant County College - (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 02/11/2014 | 05/19/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 14-051498 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 04/02/2014 | 05/19/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 14-091595 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Fraud Ring | Completed On Time | 02/12/2014 | 03/30/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 14-000627 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (EMPLOYEE) | Completed On Time | 07/30/2014 | 05/19/2020 | ED Employee Misconduct | Other, Public Corruption |
| Investigation | 14-080305 | | Completed On Time | 12/09/2014 | 09/28/2020 | | |

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| | | Community College of Denver Fraud Ring | | | | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 14-061201 | Swink Public School | Completed On Time | 07/30/2015 | 09/11/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Public Corruption |
| Investigation | 15-061230 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 03/26/2015 | 03/18/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 15-000672 | Xerox Education Services, LLC | Completed On Time | 03/12/2015 | 10/07/2020 | Contract Fraud- ED | Other |
| Investigation | 15-051670 | College of Dupage, Et. Al | Completed On Time | 03/13/2015 | 05/21/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 15-061273 | Urban League PEAK | Completed On Time | 08/12/2015 | 08/25/2020 | Other ED Grant Fraud | 21st Century |
| Investigation | 15-091731 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) SES Provider Fraud | Completed On Time | 08/05/2015 | 01/27/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | SES |
| Investigation | 15-051715 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Fraud Scheme | Completed On Time | 09/10/2015 | 12/01/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 15-041913 | Infilaw / Charlotte School of Law | Completed On Time | 12/20/2016 | 08/03/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 15-080325 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Fraud Ring | Completed On Time | 11/10/2015 | 01/30/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 15-041932 | Stenotype Institute of Jacksonville | Completed On Time | 05/31/2016 | 09/17/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 15-061296 | Grant Goodland Public School | Completed On Time | 01/15/2016 | 08/03/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Public Corruption |
| Investigation | 16-091793 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 12/15/2016 | 12/03/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 16-051805 | College of DuPage Fraud Rings | Completed On Time | 07/13/2016 | 05/21/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 16-091803 | Families in Schools Supplemental Educational Services | Completed On Time | 03/30/2016 | 06/03/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | SES |
| Investigation | 16-042049 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 08/12/2016 | 07/01/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 16-030671 | Akron Fire Department | Completed On Time | 05/11/2017 | 10/14/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 16-000747 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 11/21/2016 | 07/29/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | 17-051879 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Columbus State Community College) | Completed On Time | 03/22/2017 | 09/24/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | 17-110449 | UNAX TO ED AND IRS SYSTEMS: HAVERFORD COLLEGE | Completed On Time | 03/10/2017 | 03/06/2020 | Other Criminal-ED | Other |
| Investigation | I17WES91867 | Oxford Preparatory Academy Chino California | Completed Late | 06/22/2017 | 04/13/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Charter School |
| Investigation | I17MAR30701 | Delaware State University | Completed Late | 07/24/2017 | 07/15/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Public Corruption |
| Investigation | I17NCR30286 | Hebrew Theological College | Completed Late | 09/27/2017 | 08/27/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I18EAS30688 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed Late | 10/24/2017 | 03/04/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I18MID51693 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed Late | 11/13/2017 | 09/30/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | I18SOU00876 | Delgado Community College-Fraud Ring | Completed Late | 01/08/2018 | 02/18/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | I16SOU42028 | Florida Technical College (Qui Tam) | Completed Late | 02/01/2018 | 05/19/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I16WES91817 | Doctrina Tutoring | Completed Late | 02/13/2018 | 06/08/2020 | | SES |

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| | | | | | | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | |
| Investigation | I18TCD01795 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed On Time | 03/08/2018 | 02/26/2020 | Other Criminal-ED | Other |
| Investigation | I18EAS01380 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed Late | 03/20/2018 | 05/18/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I17SOU42180 | Georgia Prep Sports Academy, Inc. | Completed Late | 05/10/2018 | 05/06/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I18SOU01749 | Trinity Valley Community College | Completed Late | 06/21/2018 | 11/30/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I15EAS30663 | Cheyney University | Completed Late | 10/01/2018 | 07/27/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I17EAS30697 | Delaware Division of Vocational Rehabilitation | Completed Late | 12/10/2018 | 05/21/2020 | Other ED Grant Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I18SOU03996 | Puerto Rico Olympic Committee (COPUR) | Completed Late | 12/13/2018 | 05/18/2020 | Other | Other |
| Investigation | I17EAS00772 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Strayer) | Completed Late | 01/22/2019 | 04/29/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | I18SOU04379 | WHISTLEBLOWER COMPLAINT - TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY (TEA) | Completed Late | 01/24/2019 | 02/19/2020 | Whistleblower | Other |
| Investigation | I18MID00118 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed Late | 02/07/2019 | 08/25/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I19WES00433 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) - Hawaii Department of Education | Completed Late | 03/13/2019 | 03/30/2020 | Whistleblower | Other |
| Investigation | I19TCD00639 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Medger Evers College) | Completed Late | 03/13/2019 | 02/13/2020 | Other | Other |
| Investigation | I18SOU04512 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed Late | 03/27/2019 | 05/21/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| Investigation | I19SOU01030 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed Late | 03/28/2019 | 07/16/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I19EAS00009 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Employee) | Completed Late | 04/08/2019 | 12/07/2020 | ED Employee Misconduct | Other |
| Investigation | I17EAS00795 | University of Virginia | Completed Late | 05/09/2019 | 09/29/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I19EAS01100 | D.C. Tours and Transportation | Completed Late | 05/09/2019 | 10/20/2020 | Contract Fraud- ED | Other |
| Investigation | I19SOU00894 | Whistleblower Complaint - Eastern Florida State College | Completed Late | 05/10/2019 | 04/14/2020 | Whistleblower | Other |
| Investigation | I18EAS00081 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (EMPLOYEE) | Completed Late | 05/14/2019 | 07/31/2020 | ED Employee Misconduct | Other |
| Investigation | I14EAS30634 | METRO BEAUTY ACADEMY (QUI TAM) | Completed Late | 05/16/2019 | 08/19/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I19EAS01936 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Employee) | Completed Late | 07/23/2019 | 06/29/2020 | ED Employee Misconduct | Other |
| Investigation | I18MID04257 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed Late | 08/13/2019 | 09/30/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I19TCD02030 | Fraudulent Student Email Accounts | Completed Late | 08/28/2019 | 09/25/2020 | Other | Other |
| Investigation | I19EAS02993 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) et al. | Completed Late | 10/10/2019 | 10/16/2020 | Postsecondary Education Fraud | Other |
| Investigation | I19MID03174 | Dugsi Academy | Completed Late | 11/12/2019 | 09/09/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Charter School |
| Investigation | I18MID02685 | STEP Academy Charter School | Completed Late | 11/12/2019 | 09/09/2020 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | Charter School |
| Investigation | I19EAS04302 | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Completed Late | 01/24/2020 | 06/10/2020 | ED Employee Misconduct | Other |

