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

January 27, 2026

Via email

**RE: FOIA Request No. 26-00037-F-IG (Interim Response)**

This is an interim response to your December 26, 2025, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the United States Department of Education (ED) Office of Inspector General (OIG) for 1) a copy of the final report, closing memo, or equivalent concluding document for each Inspector General investigation closing during CY 2025; and 2) a copy of the list of Inspector General investigations closed during CY 2025, including relevant data fields such as subject or topic of the investigation, the case number, closing date, and opening date.

Due to the voluminous number of records your request is anticipated to return, our full response will take longer than the statutory 20 working days to process your request. However, you are receiving an interim response, which includes item #2 of your request. Enclosed, please find 2 pages of documents responsive to your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010).* This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

Consistent with the FOIA, the OIG confirms that it has considered the foreseeable harm standard when reviewing the responsive records and applying any FOIA exemptions. *See 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(8)(A).*

We are continuing to process your request. Once we have completed our review, we will provide a final response, including a notice of appeal rights.

Sincerely,

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## OIG Investigations

### Case Report

Date: 1/22/2026  
Time: 11:56 AM

| Case No     | Investigative Case Type              | Closed Date  | Date Investigation Opened | Focus Areas  |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--|
| 16-042031   | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:08/26/2025 | 0:10/27/2016              | Public Corruption  |
| I18SOU30797 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:11/19/2025 | 0:10/20/2017              | Debt Relief  |
| I16MID51833 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:08/21/2025 | 0:01/05/2018              | Other  |
| I18SOU00511 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:02/24/2025 | 0:02/01/2018              | Public Corruption  |
| I13WES80267 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:06/13/2025 | 0:02/22/2018              | Other  |
| I17EAS10774 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:11/24/2025 | 0:09/18/2018              | Fraud Ring (Distance Education)                          |
| I19SOU00390 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:08/04/2025 | 0:04/19/2018              | Public Corruption  |
| I19SOU00476 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:05/20/2025 | 0:01/29/2019              | Fraud Ring (Distance Education)                          |
| I19TCD00531 | Other                                | 0:12/31/2025 | 0:04/09/2019              | Other  |
| I19SOU03711 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:03/10/2025 | 0:11/18/2019              | Charter School   |
| I20EAS01343 | TCD Proactive Project                | 0:02/24/2025 | 0:03/27/2020              | TPD Discharge  |
| I20SWR03117 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:02/21/2025 | 0:11/20/2020              | Other  |
| I20SWR03780 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:03/13/2025 | 0:02/08/2021              | Fraud Ring (Distance Education)                          |
| I20EAS02356 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:03/31/2025 | 0:03/10/2021              | Charter School   |
| I21WES01042 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:06/04/2025 | 0:06/25/2021              | Public Corruption  |
| I21WES01384 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:09/08/2025 | 0:07/16/2021              | Charter School   |
| I20TAS03164 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:03/07/2025 | 0:09/14/2021              | Fraud Ring (Distance Education)                          |
| I21MID03128 | Other                                | 0:02/20/2025 | 0:11/01/2021              | Other  |
| I21SWR03103 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:11/18/2025 | 0:12/20/2021              | Other  |
| I21SER03481 | Other                                | 0:02/07/2025 | 0:01/10/2022              | Public Corruption  |
| I22EAS00349 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:06/30/2025 | 0:01/13/2022              | TPD Discharge  |
| I22WES00221 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:02/21/2025 | 0:01/25/2022              | Other  |
| I21TAS03047 | TCD Proactive Project                | 0:01/08/2025 | 0:02/03/2022              | Pandemic Relief Funding                                  |
| I22SIU00098 | ED Employee Misconduct               | 0:08/12/2025 | 0:02/10/2022              | Other  |
| I22SWR00647 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:12/18/2025 | 0:04/08/2022              | Charter School   |
| I22EAS00861 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:04/03/2025 | 0:04/15/2022              | Other  |
| I22MID02144 | Other ED Grant Fraud                 | 0:09/29/2025 | 0:05/10/2022              | 21st Century   |
| I20SER02383 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:04/22/2025 | 0:05/24/2022              | Other  |
| I22SIU01405 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:07/17/2025 | 0:06/14/2022              | Pandemic Relief Funding                                  |
| I22EAS01585 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:05/01/2025 | 0:06/22/2022              | Other  |
| I21SIU02188 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:03/03/2025 | 0:07/25/2022              | Pandemic Relief Funding, Fraud Ring (Distance Education) |
| I21MID03389 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:02/20/2025 | 0:08/02/2022              | Other  |
| I22MID03531 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:09/25/2025 | 0:09/21/2022              | Other  |
| I22SWR02868 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:12/16/2025 | 0:10/07/2022              | Other  |
| I23TCD00403 | Contract Fraud- ED                   | 0:03/20/2025 | 0:10/27/2022              | Other  |
| I22EAS02602 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:05/13/2025 | 0:11/02/2022              | Charter School   |
| I22SER00005 | ED Employee Misconduct               | 0:09/10/2025 | 0:11/10/2022              | Pandemic Relief Funding                                  |
| I22MID03285 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:08/01/2025 | 0:11/17/2022              | Fraud Ring (Distance Education)                          |

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| I22MID03609 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:03/31/2025 | 0:12/06/2022 | Fraud Ring (Distance Education), Other                     |
| I22EAS03899 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:08/13/2025 | 0:12/21/2022 | Fraud Ring (Distance Education)                            |
| I22EAS04295 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:06/11/2025 | 0:02/07/2023 | Other  |
| I21MID02430 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:06/06/2025 | 0:03/09/2023 | Public Corruption  |
| I23WES00798 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:03/10/2025 | 0:03/27/2023 | Charter School, Pandemic Relief Funding                    |
| I23SER03121 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:09/08/2025 | 0:06/27/2023 | Other, Public Corruption                                   |
| I23SWR01952 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:06/24/2025 | 0:06/30/2023 | Pandemic Relief Funding, Public Corruption, Identity Theft |
| I23EAS02928 | Non-ED (Mgmt. Approved)              | 0:09/18/2025 | 0:08/09/2023 | Other  |
| I24MID01353 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:12/30/2025 | 0:01/16/2024 | Other  |
| I23SER04915 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:08/28/2025 | 0:01/17/2024 | Other  |
| I23TCD05008 | Other                                | 0:11/18/2025 | 0:01/23/2024 | Other  |
| I23MID05064 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:08/06/2025 | 0:02/28/2024 | Pandemic Relief Funding, Public Corruption                 |
| I24MID02506 | Other ED Grant Fraud                 | 0:09/25/2025 | 0:04/03/2024 | Pandemic Relief Funding, Public Corruption                 |
| I24EAS01348 | Elementary Secondary Education Fraud | 0:03/04/2025 | 0:04/03/2024 | Charter School   |
| I24SWR00448 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:12/16/2025 | 0:04/05/2024 | Fraud Ring (Distance Education), Other                     |
| I24MID02893 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:08/21/2025 | 0:04/23/2024 | Pandemic Relief Funding                                    |
| I24WES02807 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:05/08/2025 | 0:05/31/2024 | Fraud Ring (Distance Education)                            |
| I24SER03633 | Whistleblower                        | 0:08/12/2025 | 0:07/16/2024 | Other  |
| I24SER04226 | Whistleblower                        | 0:08/11/2025 | 0:08/13/2024 | Other  |
| I24SWR03716 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:03/07/2025 | 0:08/16/2024 | Fraud Ring (Distance Education)                            |
| I24WES02580 | Postsecondary Education Fraud        | 0:06/09/2025 | 0:08/30/2024 | Fraud Ring (Distance Education)                            |
| I25EAS00496 | Other                                | 0:02/05/2025 | 0:12/10/2024 | Other  |
| I24TCD05624 | Other                                | 0:08/19/2025 | 0:02/14/2025 | Other  |

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