



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Complaint Process - Alleged Violation of Employee or Student Right to Participate in Constitutionally Protected Prayer

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) outlines below the process for filing a complaint against an LEA that allegedly denies a person, including a student or employee, the right to participate in constitutionally protected prayer.

These complaints should be sent in writing to Nathan Williamson, Director of Title Grants & Support. A complaint form has been created that may be filled out and submitted to the IDOE regarding an alleged violation of participation in constitutionally protected prayer. The form is included below.

Indiana Department of Education
Office of Title Grants & Support
Attention: Nathan Williamson
115 W. Washington St #600
Indianapolis, IN 46204

IDOE will report all complaints that are filed through this process, including complaints that the department may deem meritless, to the Secretary. This list will be sent to:

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education and
Center for Faith and Opportunity Initiatives
Attention: Phyllis Knight and Angel Rush
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20202

In addition to the complaints received via this process, if IDOE receives notice of a public legal charge or complaint such as a lawsuit filed against an LEA, alleging that the LEA denied a person the right to participate in constitutionally protected prayer, IDOE will report the same to the Secretary. IDOE's submission to the Secretary will describe what investigation and/or enforcement action IDOE has initiated with respect to each listed LEA and the status of the investigation or action.