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VIA EMAIL: imact1970@gmail.com

Johnny Taylor PO Box 75 Kress, TX 79052

Subject: TEA Reference #INV2023-01-070 Kress Independent School District

Dear Mr. Taylor:

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) received your complaint concerning Kress Independent School District. After further review, the agency has determined that you should pursue this matter through the school district's local grievance process.

Violation of district policies falls under the authority of the local school district and may be addressed by filing a grievance through the school district's local grievance process. By state law, every school district must have a grievance process through which parents, guardians of students, students, and members of the public may obtain a hearing from district administrators and the board regarding a complaint. TEC §11.1511(b)(13).

We have provided direct links to the grievance policy and procedure for Kress Independent School District: <u>https://pol.tasb.org/PolicyOnline/SearchResults/?key=1096&query=grievance</u>. In addition, we have attached a step-by-step informational sheet to guide you through the local complaint process.

TEA has posted an informative video regarding the local grievance policy on its website at: <u>Complaints Management Division Webinars | Texas Education Agency</u>. Please scroll to the bottom of the page to see the video.

This concludes TEA's review of your complaint. Should you have questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact us at <u>complaintsmanagement@tea.texas.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Naomi Roach Manager, Jurisdiction Review Unit Office of Governance Texas Education Agency

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Attachment: Local Grievance Process