

United States Senate

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Ms. Deborah Blair Porter
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Dear Ms. Porter:

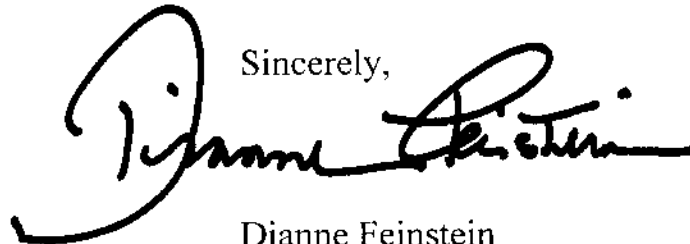
Thank you for your recent letter concerning the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

I want to be as helpful as possible. However, the problem you have outlined regarding Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District appears to be one that can only be resolved by your local city or county government. I recommend you get in touch with either your Council Member or County Supervisor, and discuss your case with either, or both, of their offices.

Additionally, the situation with Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District is a legal matter. While I sympathize with your desire to have the problem resolved, as a United States Senator I cannot intervene in, or comment on, a matter that is within the jurisdiction of the courts. This policy preserves the separation of powers doctrine, assigned by the Constitution to the branches of government, and upholds the integrity of our system of justice.

I appreciate your coming to me, and wish I could be of more assistance. If there is any way I can help you in the future with an issue involving a federal agency, I hope you will not hesitate to get in touch with me again.

Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
United States Senator

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