
Re: follow up

From MSD Communications <communications@mansd.org>

Date Fri 4/10/2026 4:31 PM

To rich girardatlarge.com <rich@girardatlarge.com>

Rich,

Here is the information the District can share.

The person you referred to is an employee of the District and was a legal resident of the City of Manchester at the time of her employment. When the employee enrolled her first child, she was living in Manchester Monday through Friday. The employee's mother resides in the City of Manchester. Her home is presently in a trust and the employee is reportedly a beneficiary of that trust.

At the time the employee enrolled her first child, it is apparent that there was confusion at the building level related to the employee's residency and/or eligibility status. The employee's children should not have been allowed to enroll in the Manchester School District because technically the employee was not, and is not, a legal resident of the City of Manchester.

The employee has been directed to disenroll her child or pay tuition in accordance with the District's policies and procedures. The District's policies and procedures are located on the District's website and are accessible by the public. The building principals have been instructed to consult with the District office if there is any confusion regarding a parent's residency and/or eligibility status.

Thank you for forwarding the relevant information to the District office.

On Thu, Apr 9, 2026 at 3:25 PM rich [girardatlarge.com](mailto:rich@girardatlarge.com) <rich@girardatlarge.com> wrote:

Thanks.

As this email continues to come without any indication as to whom it's coming from, perhaps you'll include your name? If not, that's ok. I'll make sure people know the district continues to provide anonymous replies in response to requests for information.

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From: MSD Communications <communications@mansd.org>

Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2026 3:21 PM

To: rich [girardatlarge.com](mailto:rich@girardatlarge.com) <rich@girardatlarge.com>

Subject: Re: follow up

Rich,

We have just completed the review of your concerns. We will provide a response tomorrow. Thank you for your patience.

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From: **rich girardatlarge.com** <rich@girardatlarge.com>

Date: Thu, Apr 9, 2026 at 1:48 PM

Subject: follow up

To: Jennifer Chmiel < >

Hi, Jenn.

The person you had anonymously respond to my inquiry about Krystie Steele, failed to follow up on my reply.

That said, please be advised that I am in possession of the following information regarding this situation:

- Property tax card showing Steele owns property in a Massachusetts community
- Vehicle registration showing her vehicle is registered in Massachusetts
- Smyth Road year book showing her children attend(ed) the school
- Confirmation that the son both had an IEP and is now attending school in Massachusetts
- Confirmation that the daughter remains at Smyth Road
- Information that calls into question Steele's claim to be living in Manchester with her mother and shows that, if she is, that address is outside the Smyth Road school district

Also, your anonymous responder failed to provide the policies that governed the acceptance of out of district students, any actions by the board approving any out of district placements or any tuition received for those placements.

What steps, if any, did you take to investigate this situation after receiving my original email and what conclusions did you reach based on the information collected? Since there was no follow up and the situation continues unabated, I can only assume the district has attempted to legitimize this arrangement. Perhaps you'll share what information you have to demonstrate this conclusion is credible.

The story will be released on Monday, inasmuch as I have patiently waited for well too long a time. Whether your comments or information is included is up to you.

Regards,

Rich

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