

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
DEAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
201 ROSELD AVENUE, DEAL, NEW JERSEY 07723-1098**

*We will be dedicated to fostering positivity and respect, a collaborative learning community, and a growth mindset in learning*

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Superintendent

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## **Deal School Navigators Complaint/Appeal Process**

### Step 1:

Contact Lindsey Pietrocola- Program Facilitator at [lpietrocola@dealschool.org](mailto:lpietrocola@dealschool.org) or by phone at 732-531-0480 xt.164 Please include your child's name, grade, phone number, address and reason for non-compliance complaint or appeal. Parents will receive a response to the complaint within 10 school days.

### Step 2:

If you feel that your complaint or appeal is not resolved, contact the Superintendent's Office through email or phone at [dsaponaro@dealschool.org](mailto:dsaponaro@dealschool.org) and 732-531-0480 xt.110. Please include your child's name, grade, phone number, address and reason for non-compliance complaint. Parents will receive a written response to the complaint or appeal within 10 school days from the date the complaint/appeal is received.

### Step 3:

If you feel that your complaint/appeal is not resolved, please contact Donato Saponaro at [dsaponaro@dealschool.org](mailto:dsaponaro@dealschool.org) and request the Curriculum Committee of the Board of Education review the complaint/appeal for non-compliance. The Committee will review the complaint/appeal and provide a response in writing 45 calendar days from the date the request is received.

### Step 4:

If you feel that your complaint/appeal is not resolved, you can submit a complaint to the executive county superintendent within one year prior to the date that the complaint/appeal is submitted. The complaint shall include:

1. A statement that the identified school district is not in compliance with the provisions of this act, and the specific facts on which the allegation of noncompliance is based; and
2. the name, address, and contact information of the complainant. The executive county superintendent shall complete the investigation within 60 calendar days after receipt of the complaint and issue a written decision with proposed remediation, if necessary, to the complainant and the school district.

Step 5:

The individual may then file a petition of appeal of the board's written decision to the Commissioner of Education through the Office of Controversies and Disputes in accordance with N.J.S.18A:6-9 and the procedures set forth in State Board of Education regulations

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