



# DON'T LET CARES ACT FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS END UP IN THE WRONG HANDS

Report suspected theft and misuse of Federal education funding.

*Be on the lookout for signs of fraud, waste, and abuse:*

- Commonalities between students, such as having the same bank account numbers or email addresses
- Students withdrawing from school after receiving aid or frequently changing schools
- Failure to disburse emergency aid to students
- Nonexistent or ineligible students
- Ineligible expenses
- Missing records
- Financial conflicts of interest

*If you think something is amiss, it may well be. Report your suspicions to the Office of Inspector General and we'll evaluate for fraud, waste, and abuse!*



We can provide confidentiality.

**IF YOU SUSPECT ANY WRONGDOING,  
REPORT IT AT [OIGHotline.ed.gov](https://oig-hotline.ed.gov)  
or call 1-800-MIS-USED**

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund as authorized by the CARES Act 2020

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