



Indiana Department of Education

Dr. Katie Jenner, Secretary of Education

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ETHICS COMMISSION

To: Indiana State Ethics Commission

From: Indiana Department of Education

RE: IDOE filing of travel ethics waiver

- A. IDOE employees: Dr. Katie Jenner – Secretary of Education
- B. Nature and value of the gift: All travel costs for Dr. Jenner, including travel to and from the airport, airfare to Orlando, FL, hotel accommodation for one night, and meals during travel days. Travel will occur July 23-24, 2024. Approximate cumulative value of the travel for Dr. Jenner: \$900.
- C. The donor of the gift: Get Your Teach On is a for profit entity that specializes in professional development for educators and administrators. IDOE currently has a contractual relationship with Get Your Teach On as it provides IDOE with advisory/professional development services.
- D. Statement on public interest: Get Your Teach On specializes in professional development and encouragement for educators and administrators in the form of conferences, workshops, events, online courses, and virtual/in school trainings. Beyond this, Get Your Teach On provides tailored online professional development courses for educators, schools, and districts. This individualized approach helps provide educators with proven strategies to increase test scores and boost student achievement and engagement. Get Your Teach On and the State of Indiana (IDOE) have a pioneering partnership, as Get Your Teach On provides professional development opportunities to all Indiana educators through participation in free conferences, workshops, and training sessions. To participate in a national conference for Get Your Teach On, Dr. Jenner will be speaking on the groundbreaking partnership with IDOE and how it impacts the whole State for educators in Indiana. Dr. Jenner will also be discussing the state of education in Indiana and how professional development can be used to achieve increased student achievement. Allowing Get Your Teach On to pay for certain travel expenses for Dr. Jenner allows the IDOE's state funds to be expended on the development, administration, and resources associated with hands on implementation in Indiana schools, rather than travel.

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