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**AMERICAN HINDU COALITION COMPLAINT  
LAUNCHES MAJOR CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGATION  
OF SYSTEMIC RACISM BY THE FAIRFAX COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
AGAINST INDIAN AMERICAN STUDENTS**

**STERLING, VIRGINIA – January 4, 2023.** Today, in response to complaints



Suparna Dutta (left), VA AG Miyares (Center), Srilekha Palle (Right)

by the American Hindu Coalition (AHC) and other parent activists, Virginia Attorney General Jason Miyares launched a civil rights investigation into the deliberate withholding of information about the prestigious National Merit Scholarship award by the Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) from its student recipients.

According to Attorney General Miyares, his “office will investigate the entire [FCPS] system to find out if any students were discriminated against and if their rights were violated.” Mr. Miyares added: “It’s concerning that multiple schools throughout Fairfax County withheld merit awards from student.”

The AHC activist moms, or “Mama Bears” (Asra Nomani, Suparna Dutta, and Srilekha Palle) reported that the FCPS notification failure is a component of the

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school board's Diversity Equity Inclusion (DEI) policy to favor certain races over others and discouraging the merit-based success of Indian American students.

Pointing to fact that the overwhelming majority of the National Merit Scholarship award recipients were Indian Americans, Attorney General Miyares said that FCPS "may have engaged in unlawful discrimination in violation of Virginia

Human Rights Act..." and that his office will investigate whether the withholding of commendations from students are in violation of Virginia State laws, Federal civil rights laws, and also the Equal Protection clause of the United States Constitution.



Srilekha Palle (left), Suparna Dutta (Center), Asra Nomani (right)

Only Thomas Jefferson High School of Science and Technology (TJSS), Langley High School, and Westfield High School have admitted to voluntarily withholding award information knowing that a majority of students are Indian Americans, and they are also the same students competing for admission to top colleges nationwide.

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