

# EDUCAUSE Cites CommIT in Comments to Dept of Education

EDUCAUSE focused on the [CommIT Collaborative](#), a joint effort of InCommon and [PESC](#), in written comments submitted last week in response to a U.S. Department of Education (ED) notice. The Department of Education intends to hold a negotiated rule-making process later this year on financial aid fraud in online/distance learning programs. According to a blog post by Jarret Cummings, an EDUCAUSE policy specialist, "EDUCAUSE highlighted the opportunity that federated identity management in the form of InCommon, when extended to students prior to their enrollment in college through CommIT, might play in affordably and effectively addressing the identity verification needs of both institutions and ED." [Read the full EDUCAUSE post.](#)