

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

Mail Stop 3561

July 12, 2017

Joseph M. Yorio Chief Executive Officer School Specialty Inc. W6316 Design Drive Greenville, Wisconsin 54942

Re: School Specialty Inc.

Preliminary Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A

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Dear Mr. Yorio:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lisa M. Kohl for

Mara L. Ransom Assistant Director Office of Consumer Products

cc: Dennis Connolly, Esq.