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School Board/Superintendent/Principal/Teacher/Coach, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Public Schools

Sirs & Madams,

I am concerned about the aggressive promotion and affirmation of gender dysphoria/transition and the associated policy-related issues for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Public Schools and the children & families it serves.

I have observed these events and issues:

* **training of staff & teachers (including substitute teachers) on transgender issues**
* **gender-neutral bathrooms, locker rooms, & changing rooms (“comfortable options for every student”)**
* **pronoun options on all school-related documents (currently on Back-To-School Forms)**
* **trainings on privacy/confidentiality (specifically related to excluding parents)**
* **dress codes**
* **transgender materials in libraries & classrooms; exposing children to material “as early as possible”**

My concern regarding school policies around transgender students include:

* **perspective on parents/guardians as threats/opposition**
* **hiding student information (with respect to gender and sexuality preferences) from parents/guardians (Supported by** [**GLSEN Model School District Policy**](https://www.glsen.org/article/transgender-model-district-policy)**, cited in *Transgender & Gender Nonconforming Student Policy and Policy Implementation Procedures* resources.)**
* **No differentiation made between populations:**
* **male vs. female**
* **age: elementary vs. middle vs. high school students**
* **early-onset vs. late-onset (ROGD: Rapid-Onset Gender Dysphoria)**
* **general population vs. special education population (see Littman, DeVries in Resources)**
* **religious/cultural objections to homosexuality and/or transgender behavior**
* **future implications regarding other personal demographic changes (e.g., ethnicity)**

I respectfully request that the school board decline to make any policy decisions related to transgender students until a more varied group of community representatives are involved with drafting such a policy, and until more and better research is undertaken into the issue and its related consequences.

Sincerely,

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