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Public Comments

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Charter School: Freire Charter School

Comment: To whom it may concern,

Please consider this letter as my full opposition of granting Freire Charter School their proposed major modification to their charter.

The parents have had several months to select Freire, but they have chosen not to. Do not chase good tax dollars with bad- we gave their model a chance and the people didn't respond, let's move on.

Freire has open enrollment. The prospective students do not need to pass a rigorous entrance exam or excel in the arts, yet, the parents still aren't enrolling their sons and daughters.

This city is starving for education alternatives and no one is signing up- the reason is because of a bad plan.

Parents do research. Parents consider the safety and education of their children. Parents are avoiding Freire because of the location, unreasonable transportation requirements (DART) and an ill-suited facility that doesn't even have a gymnasium or cafeteria.

Fast forward a few months and Freire's transportation plan gets even worse, as the DART stop is about to be moved from 12th and King to 9th & Shipley, making the children walk >.5 mile in all weather conditions, from West Center City, through even more busy city streets.

We are being forced to argue the obvious- we cannot afford to spend money to shoehorn a school into a partially occupied commercial property in a congested residential neighborhood, with no gymnasium, no cafeteria, where the children can't even get to school.

Delaware has to make the best decisions for our children and our community- please deny the modification.

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Subject: FW: We are not opposed to the Freire school in Wilmington
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From: Laura Bolen [<mailto:bolen555@yahoo.com>]
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Subject: We are not opposed to the Freire school in Wilmington

Dear Ms. Jennifer Nagourney,

I am writing to make sure it is known that not all midtown brandywine residents oppose the pending Freire school. In fact, many of us look forward to making this a beneficial relationship for all involved!

If there's anything else I can do to make sure a balanced view is represented, please let me know. Thank you for your time and service!

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