

Honorable State Representatives:

I am a long serving Trustee of the Meadowbrook Waldorf school and a parent of three adult MWS graduates. Today, I am writing as a very concerned board member of the Meadowbrook Waldorf School. The proposed bussing redistricting could have a profound and negative effect on many of our school's families. I would like you to consider the following points:

There is often a misrepresentation of families that choose independent school's for their children- that they are wealthy and privileged. This is not at all the case at Meadowbrook. Our families are there because, after careful consideration, they have determined that the needs of their child(ren) and family are best met by the unique pedagogy offered at our state's only Waldorf school. Our hardworking families make many personal and financial sacrifices to offer this education to their children. Our families knowingly and agreeably pay taxes to support the local public schools and all the children that attend those schools, with the only resource being expended on their children being the transportation to another school located in South County. Not to continue to so would be a very unjust and not-forward-thinking action. We are all a community and supporting each other in the education of our children, however that may look for each family. This school choice will only make our communities stronger, more desirable, and more successful in the future. To make this an impossible choice for many working families is not acceptable.

I am urging you to continue to support all the families and schools in your district by not allowing this redistricting to move forward.

Thank you for your consideration, Lorna Millar Persson Sent from my iPhone