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State Board of Education

RE: Prairie Grove School District Boundary Change Petition

We object to proposed alteration of school district boundaries because it would affect property assessments, consequently impacting bond payments that rely on the tax proceeds based on those assessments. We passed a millage increase in 2010 to build a new high school. Property assessments and projected growth were factored in to that decision.

Given the current environment of school choice and inter-district board transfers, such a move would establish a precedent where patrons would frequently request boundary adjustments. We currently have students who live within the Prairie Grove School District who have either choiced or transferred to our district. I am confident that they would prefer that their property tax dollars go to Lincoln.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mary Ann Spears, Superintendent  
Lincoln Board of Education