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Subject: SHSD161 Building Level Survey from Staff and Faculty Concerning School Closings/Transition Plans?

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Dear Julie Sterns,

As a father of 2 children currently attending Arbury Hills School and a taxpaying resident of SHSD161, I am reaching out to formally submit a FOIA request for any BUILDING LEVEL SURVEY conducted with SHSD161 staff and faculty concerning school closings/transition options for our school community. I am reaching out in the spirit of full transparency to see what communications, if any, did the School District have with its professional staff members to garner their expert opinions on possibly 1) What the pro's and con's for closing schools from an education standpoint, 2) what the pro's and con's are concerning transitioning students from one school into an existing school, 3) what the pro's and con's are from a resource standpoint to move children with special needs from one environment into a new environment, 4) what possible staffing plans would be for conjoined schools... as just a few examples. I choose to believe that this School Board was responsible enough to conduct such an evaluation before voting to close 2 grade schools by a vote of 4-3. This information would fit the description of information Board President Jim Martin declared he wanted to see before making any decisions on school closures moving forward.

Per the SHSD161 FOIA Request Procedure, please see my personal information listed below:

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Please let me know if there is anything else I can do or provide (or something I missed) to further assist in this process. Thank you for your help and for all of your efforts. Have a great day!

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