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March 22, 2016

Worcester School Committee
c/o Dr. Helen Friel,
Worcester Public School District
20 Irving St.
Worcester MA 01609

Re: Revisions to the Memorandum of Understanding between Worcester Public School District and the Worcester Police Department.

Dear Dr. Friel:

Our organization would like to petition the Worcester School Committee to adopt the language found below for the "Non Emergency" Section of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Worcester Public School District and the Worcester Police Department.

"When school resources officers are asked by the school administration to act in a non emergency situation, including disruptions and disorderly conduct, the school resource officer shall work under the direction of the principal or her designee.

In non emergency situation the school resources officer shall follow policies found in M.G.L. Chapter 222.

The mandatory screening of students for opioids shall not result in an arrest of students at school."

Non Emergencies should be handled per Chapter 222 and under the direction of the principal or her designee.

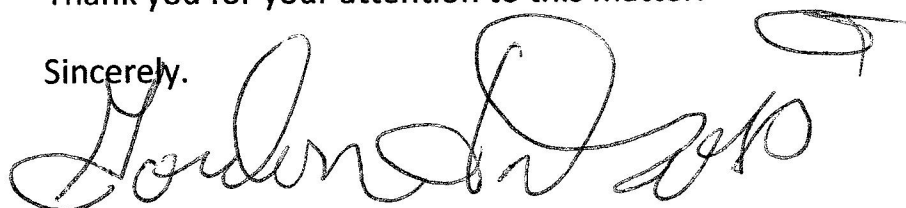
The second part is to ensure that students being mandatorily screened for opioids are not arrested at school.

In regards to the mandatory screening of children for opioids use, we have serious concerns about how the parents would be notified to opt out, the opt process, the civil rights of the children in regards to lack of probable cause interviews and search.

It is our understanding that our group will be allowed to speak to our petition on April 7, 2016.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gordon T. Davis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and a distinct "T" at the end.

Gordon T. Davis

Organizer Massachusetts Human Rights Commission and PLP

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