

Date: June 5, 2021

Bronwyn Rector, Principal of Crockett Elementary 9019 Crockett Rd Brentwood, TN 37027

SUBJECT: Request for Reconsideration of Instructional Materials

Dear Principal Rector,

I have a child in Kindergarten and 4th grade, and I am writing to express grave concern over the Great Minds Wit and Wisdom curriculum, rolled out in the 2020-2021 school year. I'm sure you have heard that this curriculum has been a topic of much discussion over the past several months due to its dark content, age inappropriateness, and racially charged instruction. As an example I request you review a WCS parent testimony at the Moms for Liberty CRT101 Event (Attachment 2), minute 39:30. Additional concerns have been shared on Instagram @Dr_Mr.Golden.

Per Williamson County Board of Education Policy 4.403, dated 6 April 2019, I am formally requesting a "Reconsideration of Instructional Materials," to include the Wit and Wisdom curriculum, the supplemental use of Brain Pop, and the library's GALE database. I further request an exception to policy, as stated below.

4.403, if followed to the letter will not yield a timely result before the coming 2021-2022 school year. Furthermore, the Board of Education addressed the Great Minds Wit & Wisdom curriculum at their 13 May 2021 work session (Attachment 1). At minute 3:01:00, Nancy Garrett (District 12) suggested that a curriculum review, to include "teacher inputs, student inputs, and community inputs," should be reported on at the June board meeting. Superintendent Golden responded, "Yes ma'am, I think that's a great idea." Jay Galbreath (District 6) suggested "solicitation of feedback" at 3:18:53. Since 4.403 could easily exceed 30 working days, by its own admission, I request the following exception to policy.

Exception to Policy: Since multiple principals are receiving this same request and because the issue is already up for review at the county level, it is my recommendation and my request that this issue be immediately elevated to the WCS Board of Education and Superintendent of Schools, so that multiple schools may simultaneously review the material in a timely manner so that a decision may be reached in time for the 2021-2022 school year.

I submit 15 June 2021, 10:00 am, at the auditorium in the WCS Central Office, or a WCS gymnasium, for this review to take place. Parents across the county are prepared to make a centralized presentation on this matter. This format will not exceed 90 minutes. I, and parents like me, simply wish to be heard ahead of the 17 June Board of Education work session and 21 June board meeting when the Wit and Wisdom results will be discussed.

Please respond to myself at the information above and to <u>MFL-Willco@protonmail.com</u> or (615) 905-1996.

Respectfully,



Attachments:

1. WCS Work Session Live Stream, 13 May 2021 https://livestream.com/accounts/5076979/events/9664074/videos/221111515

2. Moms For Liberty CRT101 Live Stream, 19 May 2021

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9vleR5pSUAo&t=6s
3. Form 4.102p "Request for Reconsideration of Instructional Materials"