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Lopez, Donna

From: Cathy Cabrera [mail@change.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2012 5:02 PM
To: Lopez, Donna
Subject: Don't cut Popular, Successful Community School Programs

Greetings,

I just signed the following petition addressed to: Mr. Healy

Don't cut Popular, Successful Community School Programs

Please save the directors' positions of the Longfellow and King Community Schools and add a director for the Amigos Program.

If there were a program that serves 1,400 children, 200 seniors, hundreds of families and adults with offerings of 1,700 enrichment classes for children, dozens of exciting day trips per year, and immensely successful summer camp programs serving 900 children, and Arts in the Parks program for hundreds of city children during summer school vacation, all at very little cost to the city per child or adult served, WOULD YOU CONSIDER IT A GREAT PROGRAM WORTHY OF FUNDING? Let's further ask: Why wouldn't you want to fund a program that PROMOTES the City Council GOALS of "fostering community..." and "supporting neighborhood vitality" and also meets the Council GOALS to "strengthen and support Human Services... and out of school learning" which Community Schools do on a greater scale than any other out-of-school-time program or community building program in this city. COUNCILLORS: WE ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT OUR REQUEST THAT ABSOLUTELY NO COMMUNITY SCHOOL PROGRAMS WILL BE CUT, EVER, NOT THE KING COMMUNITY SCHOOL NOR THE LONGFELLOW COMMUNITY SCHOOL AND THAT THE AMIGOS PROGRAM IS GIVEN A COMMUNITY SCHOOL IN THEIR NEW HOME ON UPTON STREET.

Sincerely,

Community schools are a vital part of the community. If the City Manager and city council actually could defend this decision, they would have given the community more than 1 business day notice about this proposal. I am honestly disgusted at this undemocratic procedure.

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Note: this email was sent as part of a petition started on Change.org, viewable at http://www.change.org/petitions/save-the-community-school-program-in-cambridge. To respond, click here <http://www.change.org/petitions/save-the-community-school-program-in-cambridge?response=%7Bpetition_target_anonymized_hash%7D>
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