



March 21, 2014

Katherine Lynn Duran

Mark Twain Elementary School

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This CA parent was making the effort to notify other parents of their right to opt their children out of testing. Her son had taken a few requested PJI opt out forms with him to school to give to friends to pass on to their parents. The forms were confiscated from her son and Ms. Duran was met by the police the following school day with this letter. While the threats roll in, she and her son have bravely continued their efforts to inform parents of their rights. California parents, be aware. Schools will go to any lengths to silence you!

Re: Withdrawal of Consent

Dear Ms. Duran:

I take pride in maintaining Mark Twain Elementary as a school that is open and receptive to the entire Sacramento community. Consequently, it is with a great deal of reluctance that I write this letter to you.

The District may be conducting an investigation into your conduct that occurred on March 20, 2014. Your aggressive behavior and inappropriate conduct impacted the well-being of students, staff, and parents on the Mark Twain Campus.

Because I consider your actions on the Mark Twain campus to interfere with the discipline, good conduct and lawful performance of school activities, I am withdrawing consent for you to remain on campus in accordance with California Penal Code Section 626.4(a) (enclosed).

Therefore, effective the date listed above, you may not come into any school building or upon school grounds for the next fourteen (14) days unless the purpose relates to the legitimate educational needs of your children who attend Mark Twain. In such case, you must obtain my permission in advance.

I also want to inform you that the Education Code (full text attached) considers the following to be misdemeanor offenses:

Willful disturbance of any public school or any public school meeting. California Education Code Section 32210.

Willful interference with the discipline, good order, lawful conduct, or administration of any school class or activity of the school with the intent to disrupt, obstruct or to inflict damage to property. California Education Code Section 44810.

Conduct which disrupts classwork or extracurricular activity or involves substantial disorder. Education Code Section 44811.

Further disruption of classroom or school activities, disturbance of school employees, or failure to comply with this letter may result in a misdemeanor and subject you to arrest. In addition, the District will consider further lawful proceedings, such as obtaining a temporary restraining order and other civil action to maintain safety and order on campus. The District will seek reimbursement for attorney costs the courts may impose.

The Mark Twain staff continually strives to provide a safe, enlightening, and enriching environment for our students. Thank you for your compliance with this request.

Sincerely,


Mark Twain, Principal

cc: Sara Noguchi, Interim Superintendent
Legal Services Office
Doug Huscher, Assistant Superintendent