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To whom it my concern,

My daughter is currently a 6th grade student at Coral Academy-Eastgate. My daughter started at Eastgate when it opened in 2018. Recently, it was brought to our attention that next school year the board is voting on discontinuing 7th and 6th grade at Eastgate Campus. This decision directly affects my daughter's education.

This week, I was provide an opportunity to visit the teachers and staff at Windmill. I would like to say I was utterly surprised and impressed with the academic structure provided at Windmill. You should all be proud of the academic excellence the Windmill Campus provides. With that being said, if this change does happen, I implore you to provide enough seats for the parents that are choosing to send their current Coral student to Windmill.

Last year, I was provided an opportunity to switch from Eastgate to Cadence for the 2021-2022 school year. I opted not to make the change because I know what it is like to be enrolled in a new Campus. When we first started at Eastgate there were a lot of issues that needed to resolved the first two years. Chaos and issues are always expected for a new facility. Last school year, we had to deal with the issue of my daughter's 5th grade Social Studies/ELA teacher being fired and a slew of substitutes finishing the rest of the school year. As result the inconsistency of teachers negatively impacted my daughter's 5th grade learning experience. I was hoping Eastgate Administration would provide a more stable learning environment this school year, however it has been a rough two months.

As you all know a stable learning environment is a key factor to promote academic success. I did not want to hinder my daughter's academic success by relocating her to Cadence with all the issues they are trying to resolve being a new campus. Currently, due to the new issues happening at Eastgate with the Science/ Social Studies teacher, myself along with other parents are grateful for the opportunity to relocate our kids to a campus that is currently ready to provide a stable learning environment next school year. As this year we again are facing challenges in Science and Social Studies.

Middle school is an important time for students to establish the fundamentals to prepare them for high school. I plan to keep my daughter enrolled with Coral Academy for high school. If a solid foundation is not set during her Middle School academics it will negatively impact her potential in high school. Coral Academy of Science promotes education excellence by preparing students for college. Therefore, please evaluate your current class sizes and acceptance process to ensure enough seats are available for the Eastgate students wanting to transfer to Windmill.

Respectfully,
Gail Pedroza
6th grade parent

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