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VIA EMAIL

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Dear Ms. Birrell,

RE: Josh Alexander

I am in receipt of your letter of January 9, 2023, as well as the trespass notice and notice of suspension circulated by Mr. Lennox.

I will respond regarding the issue of withdrawal from parental control for the purpose of the appeal of the suspensions in due course.

I have spoken with my client and he will not attend St. Joseph's at least for the remainder of this week (January 10-13). Mr. Alexander regards the issuing of a further suspension and a trespass notice as an unnecessary escalation and extreme response to him simply attending classes so he can receive his education. But he is hopeful his non-attendance this week will encourage discussions that will result in him attending *all* his classes next week and going forward.

As was explained to Mr. Lennox, no "threat" was issued by way of counsel's communication to Mr. Lennox on January 8, and Mr. Alexander is disappointed the Board continues to disingenuously claim otherwise. Mr. Alexander was merely referring to the inevitable *non-violent* conflict which in fact materialized on January 9 when Mr. Lennox enforced his discriminatory exclusion of Mr. Alexander from his afternoon classes. This conflict could have easily been avoided had Mr. Lennox rescinded his unreasonable and discriminatory requirement Mr. Alexander not attend classes for no other reason than because transgender students who disagree with Mr. Alexander's religious beliefs would be present in these classes.

Regarding publication of correspondence with the Board, “permission” from the Board to do so is not required, as you well know. You can therefore expect publication of select communications with the Board to continue.

As for your letter of January 9 being “subject to copyright protections”, Mr. Alexander will wait for 48 hours for you to provide support for such a claim, absent which he will proceed to disseminate and publish your letter at his discretion.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JK', written in a cursive style.

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