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Members*

GOOD EVENING---MY NAME IS SHARON VOLLIN
KNOWN I HOPE AFFECTIONATELY AMONG SCHOOL WITHOUT WALLS FAMILY AS
MS V.- AND AS THE LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALIST FOR THIS WONDERFUL SCHOOL!

I COME BEFORE YOU AT THIS TIME TO MAKE A CASE AS TO WHY WE EMPLORE
YOU TO GRANT SWW THE PERMISSION TO PRECEED TO BUILD THE SCHOOL
WALLS COMMUNITY DESERVES!

1. THE LIBRARY IS REGARDED AS THE CONRNERSTONE OF THE SCHOOL
COMMUNITY- HOUSING BOOKS TECHNOLOGY, AND YES -ASPIRATIONS
AND DREAMS. BUT FOR THE BETTER PART OF THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER
IT WAS CLOSED////CLOSED! TO LEARNING, CLOSED TO LITERACY, CLOSED
TO LIFE AS WE KNOW IT IN A WORLD OF EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPEMNT!
ALL THIS WAS DUE TO A ROOF IN SUCH POOR CONDITION THAT IT
THREATENED TO CAVE IN AT ANY MOMENT DUE TO RAIN AND INCLIMATE
WEATHER CAN YOU IMAGINE.....WE HAD TO SAY NO!!! YOU CANNOT
ENTER!! TO STUDENTS SEEKING BOOKS THE VERY FOUNDATION OF
EDUCATION AND LITERACY/// YOU CAN'T COME IN TO THOSE SEEKING
TECHNOLOGY FOR RESEARCH THE GATEWAY TO COMMUNICATION AND
SORRY NO ENTRY TO STUDENTS SEEKING TO STUDY IN AN
ENVIRONMENT THAT WE'VE MADE DUE IN SPITE OF THE BOOKS WHICH
HAVE BEEN SCORCHED WITH MOLD AND MILDEW SEEMING TO TAKE THE
VERY SOUL OUT OF THEIR PAGES.....
2. RESEARCH INDICATES THAT POOR SCHOOL FACILITIES HAVE A
DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, TEACHER/STUDENT
HEALTH, WHICH AFFECTS MORALE AND ATTENDENCE...ADDITIONALLY
RESEARCH INDICATES THAT BY CREATING NEW SCHOOLS THEY CAN
SERVE AS A COMMUNITY HUB IT'S CALLED GROWING YOUR OWN
STUDENTS TOWARD ATTENDING GW GROWING YOUR OWN CITIZENS ---
TOWARDS RUNNING LOCAL BUSINESSES & COMMUNITY
ORGANIZATIONS.. & ULTIMATELY GROWING YOUR OWN LEADERS.
3. THESE STUDENTS ARE LIKE PRECIOUS JEWELS GATHERED FROM ALL
PARTS OF THE CITY THAT ARE INTRUSTED IN OUR TALENTED FACULTY'S
HANDS BY THEIR PARENTS AND GAURDIANS TO BE MOLDED INTO FINE
WORKS OF ART TO SHINE FOR ALL TO SEE....WHAT MESSAGE OUR WE
SENDING THEM IF WE CONTINUE TO ATTEMPT TO EDUCATE THEM IN A
CRUMBLING FACILITY.
4. WE'RE TEACHING THEM TO NAVIGATE THROUGH THE LABRYNTHS OF
INFORMATION...AND LIFE...BUT ARE SHOWING OUR BEST MODEL WHEN
WE CONTINUE TO PUT THE PERRENIAL BANDAID OVER THE FESTORING
WOUND OF DELAPIDATION THAT BREEDS MEDIOCRITY AND LOW
ACHIEVEMNT.
5. THEY LOOK BEYOND THESE WALLS AND SEE THRIVING MODERN
SCHOOLS IN MOTGOMERY, ARLINGTON, AND FAIRFAX COUNTY TO NAME
A FEW.....AND THEY ASK AREN'T WE GOOD ENOUGH....AREN'T WE
BRIGHT ENOUGH...FOR WHICH WE AT WALLS ANSWER A RESOUNDING
...BUT YOU'RE SIMPLY THE BEST!

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6. FOR WE HERE IN THE WALLS COMMUNITY –IN SPITE OF THE SQUALOR
WITH ROOFS CRUMBLING & LEAKING-
7. TEMPERATURES UNCERTAIN AND DOOR AND WINDOWS SQUEAKING WE
KNOW THAT WITHIN THESE WALLS SOMETHING GREAT IS
BREWING.....IT'S THE STUDENT THEY'RE IN FACT EXCELLENCE AMONG
THE RUINS!!! SO LETS WORK TO BUILD THE FACILITY THAT'S A UTOPIA
FOR THAT EXCELLENCE

THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK.....