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Subject: Urgent Complaint – Safety Negligence, Inaccurate Attendance Reporting, and Inappropriate School Placement in Spring ISD

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to formally file a complaint regarding severe safety concerns, administrative negligence, and inappropriate school placement practices within the Spring Independent School District (Spring ISD). Despite my repeated attempts to resolve these issues directly with the district since September 3rd, 2024, the matter remains unresolved, placing my son's well-being, academic progress, and future at significant risk.

Background and Incident Overview:

On September 3rd, 2024, at Wells Middle School, my son Ky'vek Reynolds, a 7th grader, was violently injured when an 8th-grade student stabbed him with a sharpened pencil. I immediately

responded by pulling up to the school, where I observed Ky'vek standing outside with the riders while the Principal directed traffic. As soon as Ky'vek got into the car, he showed me his injured arm. I promptly stopped in the loading/drop-off area before the gym, recorded clear video evidence of multiple puncture wounds on his arm, and brought him to the Principal. Despite my evidence, the nurse later inaccurately reported that the injury did not break the skin. Additionally, when I contacted the 7th-grade Principal, he stated he was unable to complete an investigation because he could not locate the other student, despite the video evidence clearly showing multiple punctures.

Furthermore, when I submitted the video evidence to district law enforcement, a recorded call with an officer revealed that his report—based solely on the nurse's erroneous statement—had already been submitted to the District Attorney, with no opportunity for my evidence to be considered.

Ongoing Issues:

1. Lack of an Actionable Safety Plan:

Despite the severity of this incident, Spring ISD has not developed a signed, detailed safety plan that guarantees my son's protection or addresses the systemic issues that allowed this incident to occur.

2. Inaccurate Attendance Reporting:

Although Ky'vek is actively engaged in an advanced, homeschool-based GT and TAG curriculum we developed—which integrates AI/AR/VR learning models, quantum learning, project-based interdisciplinary studies, and rigorous parental accountability—Spring ISD continues to mark him as “absent.” This practice is in direct violation of TEA attendance guidelines and unjustly penalizes his academic record.

3. Inappropriate School Placement:

I have repeatedly requested that my son be transferred to a safer and more academically rigorous environment. I unequivocally reject any proposal to send him to Claughton Middle School, as its literacy rate is less than 50% and its performance on national tests is unacceptable. Instead, I request that he be transferred to either Roberson Middle School or Spring Leadership Academy—both of which I believe are better suited to support his advanced academic needs and ensure his safety. Prior to transferring into Spring ISD, my son attended schools in Kingwood, Texas, and is originally from Iowa, where educational standards were significantly higher. The contrast with the poorly run education system in this district is stark and unacceptable.

4. Financial and Emotional Burdens:

Due to the district's refusal to facilitate an appropriate transfer, I have been forced to incur daily transportation costs of approximately \$57 via Uber. Moreover, the ongoing administrative negligence and the continued absence of an actionable safety plan have caused severe emotional distress for my son and our family.

Timeline of Key Events:

- **September 3rd, [Year] – Incident at Wells Middle School:**
Ky'vek was stabbed with a sharpened pencil by an 8th-grade student. I immediately recorded video evidence of his injured arm and notified the Principal.
- **Subsequent Communication:**
I contacted the 7th-grade Principal, who claimed he could not locate the offending student and therefore could not complete an investigation, despite viewing my video evidence.
- **Submission to Law Enforcement:**
I submitted the video evidence to district law enforcement. A recorded call later revealed that the officer's report—based solely on a nurse's inaccurate statement—had already been forwarded to the District Attorney before my evidence was reviewed.
- **Ongoing Correspondence:**
Multiple demand letters and emails have been sent to Spring ISD detailing these issues, including requests for a safe, actionable safety plan and an immediate transfer to either Roberson Middle School or Spring Leadership Academy. Despite these efforts, Ky'vek continues to be marked as "absent" and remains in an environment that I believe jeopardizes his safety and academic success.

Request for TEA Intervention:

I respectfully request that the Texas Education Agency:

1. **Review and Correct Attendance Reporting:**
Ensure that Ky'vek's absences, which result solely from unresolved safety issues and his participation in an approved advanced homeschool program, are corrected in accordance with TEA guidelines.
2. **Investigate District Negligence:**
Conduct a thorough investigation into Spring ISD's handling of this incident, including the failure to implement an actionable safety plan, the disregard of my transfer requests, and the improper attendance reporting.
3. **Mandate Immediate Corrective Action:**
Require Spring ISD to either provide a detailed, signed safety plan that guarantees my son's protection or facilitate his immediate transfer to either Roberson Middle School or Spring Leadership Academy, thereby ensuring his safety, academic progress, and overall well-being.

I have attached all pertinent documentation, including email correspondence, demand letters, video evidence, recorded call transcripts, and records of incurred expenses. I trust that TEA will treat this matter with the urgency it demands and take prompt corrective action to protect my son's right to a safe and high-quality education.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this critical matter. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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