

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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The Oktibbeha County Chapter and the Mississippi State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and parents are outraged that white teachers, counselors, an administrator, a payroll clerk and a teacher's assistant employed with the Stark-ville Municipal Separate School System had the audacity to take their children out of Starkville Public Schools and have enrolled them in the Starkville Academy, a private racially segregated school for whites who remain employed with the Starkville Public Schools teaching and working with black and white students who are in attendance of the Public Schools at the expense of students who both believe in the public school system and attend the public schools as well.

The NAACP take the position if the Starkville Public Schools are not good enough for white employees who send their children to a racially segregated academy for whites only, the public schools ought not be good enough for them to be employed with or to receive a pay check at the expense of children who attend the Starkville Public School, especially black students.

It is the contention of the NAACP that where one's head and heart are, is where they are also.

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