

**Friis, John**

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**From:** jessica vulte [ladyj10-4@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 15, 2009 11:09 PM  
**To:** Friis, John  
**Subject:** Sec.5 of House Bill H6666

Dear Representative Fleischmann, Senator Gaffey, and members of the Education Committee,

I am writing to strongly advocate for **Sec.5 of House Bill H6666**, which will allow for adjunct faculty certificates to be issued to the highly-trained professional artists, who serve as ECA's part-time faculty, to continue their 35-year record of preparing Connecticut's high-school students for our competitive global economy. If they are required to become certified for 10-hour per week part-time positions, they will not be able to do so and the school will close. This will be a terrible loss to Connecticut's high school students *in 19 school districts*.

I attended ECA as a high school student from 1988-1991 in both the visual arts and creative writing programs. The teachers in both these programs not only helped hone my technical skills as an artist, but fostered my sense of curiosity and courage as an artist, my ability to successfully undertake an artistic project from start to finish, to articulately discuss an artistic composition. The coaching I received from ECA teachers was invaluable in preparing my portfolio and interview portion of college admissions. My experience at ECA was a prominent and positive influence on not only my artistic endeavors but also on most of the achievements I have made in my adult life.

Please vote for **Sec.5 of House Bill H6666**.

Thank you,  
Jessica Vulte

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