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To whom it may concern:

The prospect of regionalizing our local schools fly's in the face of all the reasons our family moved to Connecticut. We cherish the fact that New Canaan Schools have such a great reputation and have experienced a high quality of education here.

Regionalization would clearly dilute the quality of education, transportation, and other aspects of the local education system we have come to know and love. Regionalization would also create an exodus of school aged families from CT, further lowering the tax base and real estate markets.

Experience shows that the cost of regionalization would be huge, and by the time the cost of such a plan is rationalized, the prevailing sentiment would most likely be localization.

Frankly this feels like another political grandstand and a personal agenda. We pay enough in taxes to support our current system, and the greatest cost is with pensions, which won't be solved by a regional model.

We have enough political nonsense throughout our government, don't mess with our school system. Thank you for the opportunity to be heard.

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