

To whom it may concern,

RE: SB 738 / SB 454, SB 874 & SB 457

We and our two sons have been residents in Wilton, CT since 2001. Our sons have had the privilege of going to the Wilton schools, from elementary school to high school. They have benefitted greatly from the outstanding teachers and superior curriculum, and have also utilized the extra resources that were available (reading support and academic lab).

The idea of consolidating schools in CT, and specifically Wilton and Norwalk, concerns us since we believe we would lose the quality of education and local control. We, like many others, decided to live in Wilton, due to the stellar reputation of the schools. We fear that without the strong credentials of the Wilton schools, residents will leave the area, and others who many have chosen to live in Wilton will choose elsewhere to live. This would be the case with other towns also, which would result in an overall loss in state revenue & worsen the states fiscal situation.

We strongly oppose these bills, and ask that they be rejected.

Regards,

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