

Dear Committee Members,

Thank you for investing your time and energy in serving Del Mar Union students, families and staff. As a parent of two Torrey Hills students, I appreciate the opportunity to contribute my voice to the discussion about the placement of DMUSD offices and the potential for school closures or joint use options for schools within the district.

I would urge the committee to consider the two major factors, in making their decision: financial stability, and school site integrity.

I am very concerned with the proposal G, which would require the **building of a 15,000 to 25,000 square foot building in this corner of campus**. The children will lose a portion of their play space, and the school site would be subdivided into two: a school and business would be required to coexist. Subdividing the site into a school-slash-business office would degrade the quality of the educational experience at any school. Additional automotive and foot traffic, not to mention the short-term building and construction noise, would create a disturbance and a distraction that would impinge upon the student learning experience and introduce a nuisance aspect to our school site.

Also, the proposal G would require the DMUSD to **spend money on unnecessary purchases or buildings**, where suitable space and buildings exist at Del Mar Hills to accommodate the needs of the district. In these unsettled and uncertain times, it makes sense that DMUSD, like many of the families it serves, should be prudent in managing its finances.

For these reasons I urge the members of the 7/11 committee to vote for proposal B. I know there are some passionate voices urging you to “save” all schools, but on paper, this does not make financial sense for the district, nor does it reflect long-term growth projections for the district. Please, use our district monies and resources smartly, and keep schools and office sites separate.

Please accept proposal B.

Respectfully,

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