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# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 8/18/89 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 8/22/89 4:00 PM

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO SCHOLASTIC MAGAZINE

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REMARKS:

Please forward any comments directly to Chriss Winston, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 4:00 PM, Tuesday, August 22, with a copy to my office. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

89 AUG 18 P5:18

James W. Cicconi  
 Assistant to the President  
 and Deputy to the Chief of Staff  
 Ext. 2702

1989 AUG 18 11 30 AM

August 17, 1989  
Draft two  
a:teachers

Dear Teachers:

Today more than ever before, meeting the demands of work and family is a constant challenge for many parents in America. After school child care is certainly one of those challenges. Some parents have their children in an after-school program supervised by adults. Many children, however, are at home alone or supervised by an older sibling.

I know that America's teachers have an enormous responsibility in teaching our children. No job is more important in shaping America's future. I also know the long, dedicated hours that teachers devote to their jobs, but I hope you will take a few minutes this week to find out what the children in your class are doing after school. Are they at home with their parents or other adults or in an after school program? Or are they home alone?

The safety of our children is everyone's concern. Together, we can ensure that their after-school hours are happy and productive ones -- but more importantly, we can ensure that they are safe ones. Keep up your good work, and God bless you.

George Bush

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 23, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR LARRY LINDSEY

FROM: MARY KATE GRANT *MKG*  
SUBJECT: SCHOLASTIC MAGAZINE

During the staffing of the proposed letter to Scholastic Magazine, apparently objections were raised as to the content of the letter (objections were from Counsel's office, Demarest, and OMB.) Most questioned whether after-school supervision fell under the jurisdiction of the federal government. Because of these objections, Chriss felt that we should not send the letter to Scholastic.

Would it be possible to cut a deal with them for the next issue, with a letter addressing either drugs and education or the upcoming Education Summit? If so, Chriss thinks there would be no problem as far as staffing goes. I will be available to help in any way. Please let me know. Thanks.

*P.S. As of Thursday - Pre-K Today has been staffed (some changes) and is now in Kennedysport for POTUS approval. Will let you know as soon as I get it, so you can send to publisher.*

*Thanks  
MKG*

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**RESPONSE:**

89 AUG 23 4 9 : 26  
 No Comments  
 8/22/89

James W. Cicconi  
 Assistant to the President  
 and Deputy to the Chief of Staff  
 Ext. 2702

August 2, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR MARY KATE GRANT

FROM: LARRY LINDSEY

SUBJECT: Presidential Message to Accompany Scholastic News Magazine

This is the other letter to accompany the issue of Scholastic News Magazine that will focus on safe play and study time after school, directed at the many children who do not return home to their parents at the end of the school day.

Dear Teachers:

Today more than ever before, many parents in America today are working outside the home. Some of them have their children in an after school program where children are supervised while the parents are working. Many children are home alone, or are supervised by an older sibling.

I know that you have a huge responsibility teaching children during the day. There is no more important job for shaping America's future. But I hope you will take a few minutes this week to find out what the children in your class are doing after school -- are they home with their parents or other adults? Are they home alone? Are they in an after school program where they are supervised?

The safety of our nation's children is everyone's concern. You are to be commended for providing these resources to the nation's children on how they can play safely after school.

Keep up your good work on behalf of our nation's children.

George Bush

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 22, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR  
COMMUNICATIONS

FROM: AMY L. SCHWARTZ *ALS*  
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Message for Scholastic Magazine

Counsel's Office has no legal objection to the proposed letter. As a matter of policy, however, we wonder about the advisability of the President making such a specific proposal to teachers.

Admittedly in many cases it will be straight-forward and perhaps beneficial for teachers to inquire about the after-school care of the children in their classes. Some teachers may resent the request, however, and parents may resent the inquiries. Some parents may even be hostile, or in a worst-case situation threatening or violent. If, in such a case, the inquiries were made as the result of the President's letter, there is a risk of negative publicity about or negative feeling toward the White House. Moreover, directing teachers to make such inquiries strikes us as involvement at a micro-level at which the President would not ordinarily be involved.

We would therefore prefer that the letter not include the specific request.

cc: James W. Cicconi, Jr.

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**RESPONSE:**

*See Comments*

James W. Cicconi  
Assistant to the President  
and Deputy to the Chief of Staff  
Ext. 2702

August 17, 1989  
Draft two  
a:teachers

1989 AUG 18 11 00

Dear Teachers:

Today more than ever before, meeting the demands of work and family is a [constant] challenge for many parents in America. —  
After-school child care is [certainly] one of those challenges. —  
Some parents ~~have their children in an after-school programs~~ supervised by adults. —  
Many children, however, are at home alone or supervised by an older sibling. —

I know that America's teachers have an enormous responsibility in teaching our children. No job is more important in shaping America's future. I also know the long, dedicated hours that teachers devote to their jobs, but I hope you will take a few minutes this week to find out what the children in your class are doing after school. Are they at home with their parents, or <sup>with</sup> other adults, or in an after-school program? Or are they home alone? —

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work part time or arrange their work schedules so that one parent is at home when their children return from school. Others make arrangements to have a relative or neighbor care for their children after school, while still others enroll their children in

Helen  
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*Is this in response to a question about school care?*

**RESPONSE:**

*If yes OK XA*

89 AUG 21 12:10 PM

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RESPONSE:

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