

To: Board of Education  
From: Dr. Karen Goldberg

Hello board members:

There has been a lot of talk in town about the state of Adams and the High School and there have been different groups meeting to discuss the task force recommendations. I am not sure if all of you have been getting feedback on people's opinions so thus this letter. . .

I am a pediatrician in Madison, a mother of three young children, and a Guilford resident. I moved to Guilford seven years ago because of the school system. I am very disturbed and quite frankly disgusted by the state of Adams and the High School. It is quite clear to me that aside from the buildings not being a great learning environment, they are also not a healthy place for our children (or my patients to be.) I have already received some requests from patients of mine with allergies who are entering Adams that I write a letter so they can be placed in the "Pods". It seems sad to me when these temporary structures (with no bathrooms and separate from the main school) are the desired learning environment.

I understand that I am preaching to the choir but, you have the difficult decision of what option to bring forth. I feel strongly that we need two new schools. I have reviewed the numbers and it makes no financial sense to "renovate like new" both schools when the price for two ideal, brand new schools is only a small percentage more. I understand that you want to bring something forward that will pass, but I think we have a responsibility to make the best choice for our children and our community and then educate the public and hope they do the right thing. I don't think we can "band aid" this situation. We have to do the right thing.

I look forward to hearing from anyone of you and would be happy to get involved in whatever way would be helpful.

Sincerely,  
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