

Submitter: Maggie Holm
On Behalf Of: Lewis and Clark Montessori Charter School
Committee: Senate Committee On Education
Measure: SB767

We love Lewis & Clark Montessori Charter School - there is no other schools in our area that provides an education that aligns so closely to our family's values. This bill would destroy our ability to give our daughter the education she deserves.

Currently LCMCS is being forced to relocate due to lease termination by our sponsoring district, GBSD

It would be ideal for us to remain inside GBSD boundaries but given an extremely limited time frame and lack of existing facilities to accommodate 17 classrooms our choices are limited.

The proposed new facility is located less than 1000 ft from the GBSD boundary.

We would like to turn an unfortunate situation into a positive impact by moving from a rural location that is inaccessible by public transportation to one that opens access for enrollment to underserved, more diverse populations in Rockwood and the surrounding area while also continuing to serve our current families. Greater access & diversity is a key component of our current Strategic Plan.

Lewis & Clark Montessori Charter School has been in existence for over 14 years and has had a hugely positive impact on our daughter's and our family's life.

LCMCS is trying to find a home so we can continue to provide students access to a free, high-quality, public Montessori education that they are all entitled to. Please oppose this bill to help save our school!