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District Re-alignment Concerns

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Good afternoon,

First let me say a thank you to both of you for the services you provide for KY students. I value the work you do, and I don't envy the situations you find yourselves in at times. I too find myself at times in situations I didn't really set out to find when I ran for office as a board member in the Shelby County School District.

I am writing to follow up on a situation that was brought to my attention by many members of our school district's administration and many of my community members. It seems that there has been a decision or a push to adjust the district alignment due to the decision of Cornerstone Christian Academy being added to the 30th district.

I am aware that the 29th district is a 3-school district with the Oldham schools, the 30th district with now 6 schools, and the 31st with 6 schools.

Based on the information I've gathered, it sounds like there has been reasoning provided that "since Collins (MLCHS) is closer to Oldham county, we will be moved to the 29th District".

I have to request you all reconsider this decision. I see it as ill-thought out and the reasoning lacks justification. Here are my thoughts:

1. If vicinity is the true reason for the decision - then I must point out that Eminence and Henry county both are closer to Oldham than Collins high is to Oldham schools.
2. If CCA is the new school that we aren't even sure they will have enough to compete for years to come, then maybe they should be forced to travel to Oldham to help even out the district numbers?
3. If we have Woodford County traveling thru Franklin County and passing other districts, for some reason, to come take part in a now 6 school district, maybe they should be moved to a closer district to help alleviate travel costs associated and travel times that place burdens on the families and players?

I can see so many other ways of handling this that would disrupt our school district and split us away from competing with schools that are closest in vicinity.

I hope you will reconsider and look for better alternatives for the sake of our community, our student athletes, and our school district.

I totally understand the desire to balance out the numbers associated with district tournament competition. I do not understand the concept of cherry picking MLCHS/Collins to be the one to be the one school identified to move. There are others that make more sense.

If you are unable to consider this, I at least ask for a detailed response that gives me the insights as to why MLCHS is the one chosen to be affected by CCA's add to the KHSAA.

I have been a coach. I am a retired athletic trainer. And I am a current board member. I feel as though I have a pretty balanced approach to topics such as this and I just can't seem to wrap my head around the decisions being made.

Thank you for taking the time to read through my requests and point of view.

I look forward to seeing how the Board of Control votes next week. And I look forward to hearing more from you all in relation to this request.

Take care,
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