From: Pablo Nava Duran

**Sent:** Friday, May 19, 2023 2:29 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Pine MS summer School

## Dear Board Members,

I heard WCSD will be offering summer school this year. I'm concerned about Pine MS taking a summer course at Damonte Ranch HS, which is a burden for students who have to walk or take their parents to DRHS for summer school. Many Pine students will not go to DRHS when they are in a high school year as they are going to Wooster or Reno HS. This is an equity issue at Pine MS, they should take summer courses at Pine MS or Wooster HS as they are geography closer than DRHS. If you have any questions please let me know.

Sincerely,

Pablo Nava Duran

**From:** Timothy Wick

**Sent:** Friday, May 19, 2023 9:13 AM

To: Public Comments
Cc: Johnson, Tyler

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

## Good afternoon everyone,

Today, I would like to talk about why it's important for auto shops to be present in washoe schools. Auto shops are an essential part of any community, and having them in high schools is of great significance.

Firstly, auto shops in washoe schools can provide students with practical and hands-on experience in a skilled trade. By having access to an auto shop, students can learn about car maintenance, repair, and customization. This experience can be invaluable, as it can lead to a potential career in the automotive industry. Moreover, hands-on experience can enhance the learning experience and lead to greater understanding and mastery of the subject.

Secondly, auto shops in washoe schools can help to address the shortage of skilled workers in the automotive industry. The demand for skilled workers is on the rise, and the industry is facing a shortage of workers with the necessary skills and experience. By introducing students to auto shops, washoe schools can help to bridge this gap by providing students with the necessary training and skills to enter the workforce.

Thirdly, auto shops in washoe schools can encourage students to stay in school and graduate. For many students, traditional classroom learning may not be enough to keep them engaged and motivated. However, the hands-on experience provided by auto shops can help to keep students interested and invested in their education. This can lead to better academic performance and a higher graduation rate.

In conclusion, auto shops in washoe schools are important for several reasons. They provide students with practical and hands-on experience, help to address the shortage of skilled workers in the automotive industry, and encourage students to stay in school and graduate. Therefore, it is important for washoe schools to invest in auto shops and provide their students with access to this valuable resource.

Sincerely

Timothy Wick

Washoe County Student

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**From:** Briana Foroszowsky

**Sent:** Monday, May 22, 2023 8:43 AM

To: Church, Jeffrey; Westlake, Colleen M; Joseph.Rodriquez@washoeschools.net; Smith, Elizabeth A;

Woodley, Alex; Nicolet, Diane M; Public Comments

Subject: [EXTERNAL] County Building Code Violation and Violation of Health and Safety at Reed High

## Dear Board of Trustees,

I request this email be entered into public record during the May 23, 2023 Washoe County Board of Trustees meeting. I am writing to you prior to the meeting because this is an urgent matter that needs immediate attention.

I am informing you that Reed High School is withholding and restricting the use of student restrooms and the staff is not able to adequately supervise the hallways and restrooms. My son and other students are leaving school in the middle of instruction to go home and use the bathroom. On Thursday May 18, 2023, at 1:35pm my son called to inform me he walked the entire school seeking a restroom and there was only one restroom available. He stated there were four urinals and one toilet for the entire male student body. There were eight students standing in the restroom, and the room smelled of marijuana smoke. This unacceptable restriction of basic health needs and the illegal activity that is allowed to occur on campus is abusive, disruptive, a violation of school board policy, and violation of Washoe County Building Code. The administration is not providing a safe and healthy environment for the 2100 students enrolled at Reed.

Since beginning in February of 2022, I have been voicing my concern to the administration, the area superintendent, district superintendent, and school board representative about vandalism, illegal activity and restroom restrictions. Students are speaking out at the Reed High student government meetings; and students and parents are complaining to the administration and school board.

On the afternoon of Thursday, May 11, 2023, I visited Reed High after my son came home during school instruction to use the restroom. I politely requested to view the available restrooms and count the available toilets. My request was denied.

The Washoe County Board of Trustees, Adam Searcy (Chief Operations Officer and manager of Facilities), and Josh Rosenbloom (principal of Reed High School) are in violation of the following policy and code:

Board Policy 5625 Student Health and Welfare.

Board Policy 1505 Visitors to District Property

Board Policy 5200 Family Engagement

Washoe County Building Code. (Chapter 29, Plumbing Systems, 2018 International Building Code, educational facilities.)

I am requesting that restroom availability at Reed High School be reinstated immediately and then consistently each day going forward. If you are unable to provide healthy and safe restroom facilities for your students, then I assume you would have to close the school until you get the school up to code and can ensure that the laws of the City of Sparks and Washoe County are being upheld on your campus. Sincerely,

Briana Foroszowsky

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