

Letters from Parents -- Late

In Favor

Signatories to Letter	42
Individual Letters	23

- * Those in favor cited research showing improvements in academic achievement
- * Several letter writers were from educators
- * Many parents cited logistical benefits of being able to drop their middle school kids at home
- * Some cited as a benefit that their older kids wouldn't have as much time

In Favor with Reservations

Not Middle School	1
Stagger Middle and H.S. so public buses don't get filled	1

Opposed

If start time change, make it only to the HS	1
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Conversations with Parents on Monday

- * About 25 parents showed up
- * Most were in favor of the change
- * 4 were clearly opposed, citing logistical drop offs for their family, sports, etc.
- * Parents of kids in music program spoke about how difficult it is for kids to get to school
- * Parents cited logistical benefit of having kids
- * Some expressed the wish that we could start later (e.g., 9:00)

Thoughts to Consider

- * What happens with the timing of Metco buses (is there more traffic late in the morning?)
- * What happens with the timing of the Gibbs buses? Will they be picking up kids late in the morning?
- * Will students miss instruction time for away games?
- * Would it be possible to allow occasional early morning drop offs at Otto

Start Times

Notes

Many two parent signatories

Most from a single parent

Development and physical, social and emotional health.

Elementary school kids after elementary school kids

Left home alone

Monday, 2/4/19

Starting too late, possibility of missing end of school for games, and skepticism about current start times to start at 7:00

Parental concerns?

What time do parents start dropping off?

Comparison (like Gibbs)?

: research