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SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Patrick Elliott
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RE: East Hanover Elementary School

Dear Mr. Elliott:

Thank you for your letter of last evening.

As a result of your interest, we inquired about the “See You at the Pole” (“SYATP”) event at the East Hanover Elementary School. We found that the facts are materially different than those advanced in your letter. Specifically,

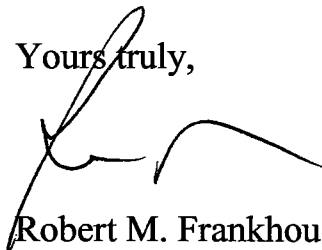
1. The SYATP event is, has been and remains parent/student initiated.
2. The instructional day of the school begins at 8:50 a.m. The event will commence at 8:40 a.m. and will be concluded by 8:50 a.m. Thus, the event will not occur during the instructional day.
3. The program will be led by students and not by School District personnel.
4. The event will not take place in the school building. Instead, the

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event will occur outside of the building at the School's flagpole. Thus, Board Policy No. 707 has no application.

Based upon our review of this matter, we have concluded that the conclusions and presumptions articulated in your letter are inapplicable. Thank you for your interest.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert M. Frankhouser, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert M. Frankhouser, Jr.

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cc: Dr. Don Bell, Superintendent
Ms. Mary Gerhart, Board Secretary