

NORTH LAMAR INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

ASSISTANT
SUPERINTENDENT
Shelley McDowell

BUSINESS MANAGER
Tammy Crutcher

James A. Dawson, Superintendent

3201 Lewis Lane
Paris, Texas 75460
(903) 737-2000
FAX (903) 669-0129

SCHOOL BOARD
Gary Hilliard, President
Bill Coleman, Vice President
Brad Perry, Secretary
Paul Drake
Dave Osborne
Amy Stephens
Robert G. White, D.D.S.

November 21, 2011

Patrick Elliott
Freedom From Religion Foundation
P. O. Box 750
Madison, Wisconsin 53701

Dear Mr. Elliott,

Thanks for your concern regarding our assembly program. At the time of the assembly, I was hospitalized and therefore was not in attendance. Had I been in attendance, the assembly format would have changed.

I totally understand the Separation of Church and State. I cover this topic annually with staff at the beginning of the school year. Since the assembly, I have had discussions with administrative staff on the topic and offer assurance that there will be no more school-sponsored religious messages at school assemblies in the North Lamar Independent School District.

If you have further questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



James A. Dawson
Superintendent