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## Re: proposed changes to Code JFCG

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**Sandy Harrington** <sharrington@ocss-va.org>

Sun, Jan 26, 2025 at 8:37 PM

To: Gary MacFadden <gary.macfadden@gmail.com>

Cc: Melissa Anderson <manderson@ocss-va.org>, Darlene Dawson <ddawson@ocss-va.org>, Jack Rickett <jrickett@ocss-va.org>, Chelsea Quintern <cquintern@ocss-va.org>, Daniel Hornick <dhornick@ocss-va.org>

Mr. McFadden,

Please be advised my position on proposed Policy JFCG will be clearly communicated at the appropriate public board meetings, once I have evaluated the pros, cons and legalities to make an informed decision.

You are welcome to continue sending emails and sharing your opinions or concerns. I assure you, I do read them and take them into consideration.

If you are unable to attend meetings I encourage you to watch the videos at your convenience.

Thank you, Sandy Harrington

On Thu, Jan 16, 2025 at 3:26 AM Gary MacFadden <gary.macfadden@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Ms. Harrington,

My letter on the subject item is attached forthwith as a pdf.

Respectfully,  
Gary MacFadden

via email January 16, 2025

To: Sandy Harrington  
Cc: Melissa Anderson, Chair  
Darlene Dawson, Vice Chair  
Chelsea Quintern  
Jack Rickett  
Dr. Dan Hornick

In lieu of participating in the “public comments” portion of the next Orange County Public Schools (OCPS) School Board meeting, the goal of enabling members of the community to express their personal views can be equally accomplished sans time restrictions in writing.

The purpose of this letter is to address the proposed change affecting restrooms, also identified as Code JFCG.

As far as unisex or gender-neutral restrooms will also be provided, I support the change which limits individuals to the use of “male” and “female” restrooms based on the designation of the user’s biological sex.

I believe most Orange County parents do not want biological males sharing restrooms, locker rooms and showers with their daughters. Female also resent the intrusion into their privacy when shower and locker facilities are shared with members of the opposite sex. Would you feel comfortable if members of the opposite sex used a public toilet at the same time your daughter was using it?

Also in a related topic, on January 14, 2025, the House of Representatives approved legislation H.R. 28. H.R. 28 now goes to the Republican controlled Senate, where I expect the odds of passage into law are promising. This bill will levy restrictions on public schools receiving federal money with respect to Title IX related matters.

- **I urge you, will you please support the changes proposed by Ms. Quintern concerning Code JFCG?**
- **If you will not, will you please explain your opposition?**

Ms. Harrington, as one of your constituents, I hope you will fulfill the promise which you made at a 2024 spring school board meeting - to answer correspondence (in this case the questions posed in bold font above). A substantive reply extends beyond merely acknowledging receipt of a letter. Please also consider submitting regular articles to the Lake of the Woods *Lake Currents* newsletter. Bryon Nicol consistently posts information related to his office, however you do not. A record of my past correspondence experience with you as my Orange County School Board District 5 representative is available by clicking [here](#).

*The taxpayers and families of Lake of the Woods / Orange County deserve to know where you stand.*

Respectfully,  
Gary MacFadden