



March 16, 2015

Dear Representative Ott and Senator Darling,

As a school board, we object to the phase out of the Chapter 220 program included in Governor Walker's proposed budget. The program is an integral part of the Fox Point-Bayside School District with ten percent of our enrollment as Chapter 220 participants.

The Chapter 220 program is the state's first parental choice program. It has met its original goal of promoting cultural and racial integration in education. As the governor champions more school choice for parents in Wisconsin, phasing out Chapter 220 is a direct contradiction as it stifles integration and prevents City of Milwaukee residents from attending honored school districts such as ours.

The proposed phase out of the program poses a significant problem for our students. Because Nicolet is a high school only district, they would not be allowed to accept new 220 students as freshman. Students in our district who have attended school with their classmates from K4 to 8<sup>th</sup> grade would not be able to continue with them through high school. Please address this unintended consequence.

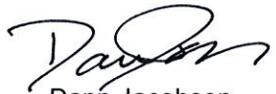
Our district asks you to please restore the Chapter 220 program and help us all celebrate promoting racial and cultural integration options for parents and improving the quality of life for all students.

Your partners in education,

  
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