

METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY
Board of School Trustees
RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO HB 1005, SB412, AND SB 413
March 8, 2021

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly during its 2021 legislative session is considering HB 1005, SB 412, and SB 413, bills that establish Education Savings (or Scholarship) Accounts (ESAs) and dramatically increase funding for school choice scholarships; and

WHEREAS, continued expansion of vouchers has negatively affected public school students and their programs by diverting much needed resources from public schools; and

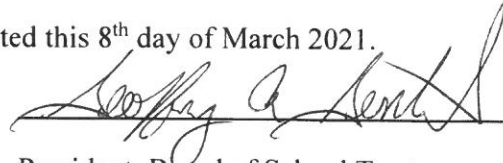
WHEREAS, voucher funding impairs Indiana's constitutional obligation to fund a uniform system of schools wherein tuition shall be without charge; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan School District of North Posey Board of School Trustees believe that this type of legislation does not give real choice to families as private and religious schools can discriminate in whom they educate; and

WHEREAS, this legislation would direct resources to nonpublic schools that are not accountable to taxpayers for the expenditures they make with public funds, not audited by the State Board of Accounts, do not publish annual financial or performance reports, are largely exempt from an extraordinary array of federal and state mandates, regulations and reporting requirements that are imposed on public schools, do not receive federal accountability ratings and are not even required to employ licensed teachers.

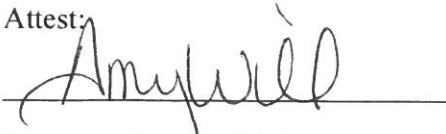
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Metropolitan School District of North Posey Board of School Trustees strongly oppose the aforementioned proposed legislation and urge legislators to oppose it, and any other legislation that directs funding away from Indiana public schools.

This resolution was duly made, seconded and adopted this 8th day of March 2021.



President, Board of School Trustees
Metropolitan School District of North Posey

Attest:



Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Metropolitan School District of North Posey

METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY
Board of School Trustees
And
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY TEACHERS'
ASSOCIATION
JOINT RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO HB 1005, SB412, AND SB 413
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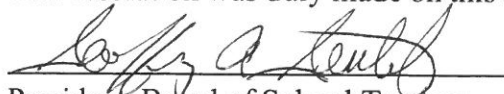
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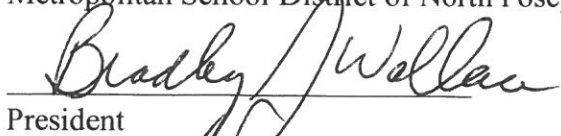
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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Metropolitan School District of North Posey Board of School Trustees and the Metropolitan School District of North Posey Teachers' Association strongly oppose the aforementioned proposed legislation and urge legislators to oppose it, and any other legislation that directs funding away from Indiana public schools.

This resolution was duly made on this 8th day of March 2021.



President, Board of School Trustees
Metropolitan School District of North Posey



President
Metropolitan School District of North Posey Teachers' Association