

**October 26, 2022 Board Meeting Written Comments**  
**Received between Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Submitted via Written Comments Form**

1	<p>Me and my children have received so much harassment within the school to the point my kids are ostracized on a weekly with my status being on the LSC at one of my kids school. There has been a lot of serious issues taking place within my children's school that is overlooked and I've went through almost all chain of commands with no solution for myself or other children within the school. The focus has been more so staff members acting as if this is their high school years all over again and not tending to the needs of the students. I've been looking for Solutions to resolving problems for parents in which some have backgrounds of being diverse learners and stls students as well as regular parents within this school, a lot of parents are low income based and they are being treated less than human beings at the school. It has gotten to the point where now students are no longer respecting the adults within the school and is very much out of control. Even to the point of noticing the miss use of funds(still no audit) ...please help my school asap <b>SINCERELY</b> Trés</p>
2	<p>Please accept this document as an indication of what we offer our young men as tools to build their soft skills, leadership, and competitive nature to develop holistically and prepare them for life outside of the classroom.</p>
3	<p>mRNA vaccines, including the booster shots, are NOT effective and effectiveness has been proven to declines over time in many studies. Why do you continue to force this issue for something that doesn't work? People have a God given right not to take this. Leave people alone and stop forcing this toxic vaccine on children and elders. Many studies as well show that the vaccines cause myocarditis.  <u>One studie by Dr. Marty Makary of John's Hopkins University and there are many others.</u></p>
4	<p>Uplift Community High School, located in the Uptown community, is petitioning the Board of Education at this week's meeting to be named the official high school for Uptown with attendance boundaries. Currently, the designated high school is Senn, almost 2 miles away. Uplift is the only non-selective enrollment, non-magnet school in CPS without attendance boundaries, creating a constant recruitment challenge. When Uplift opened in 2005, it was understood that the following year it would become the neighborhood high school but that did not occur. LSC members and supporters are speaking out today to correct these inequities and a petition is being circulated as well.</p> <p>"Uplift has so much to offer the community," says LSC member Marc Kaplan. "We are a STEAM school (one of only two Early College STEAM schools in the city) and a Sustainable Community School and these programs bring us extra resources." The STEAM program provides up to date technology, teaching methods to integrate both STEM and arts into the classroom, and opportunities to earn college credits all the way to an associates degree while still in high school. As a Sustainable Community School, Uplift is able to provide innovative culturally relevant learning, a restorative justice coordinator, extended after school programming and other wrap around services, and programming for parents and the community.</p> <p>Strong neighborhood schools are an anchor for their communities. Naming Uplift the official high school will help to create a comprehensive and coordinated network of schools from the elementary schools up through Truman College that will all work together to ensure that young people of the Uptown community develop to their full potential and are ready for college and other postsecondary pathways, careers, and full and productive lives.</p>
5	<p>Thank you for this opportunity. I am a graduate of CPS - Burbank Elementary near Galewood, parent of CPS students, and LSC Rep. I'm sharing comments today about safety concerns - both outside and inside of our schools.</p> <p>Maria Montessori once said: "Adults must defend children."</p> <p>Without emotional and physical safety, it is not possible to create truly safe, supportive learning environments. Considerations for student safety should begin the moment our children leave their homes to the moment they return.</p>

In the 27th ward, at Fulton and Sacramento, a child was struck by a car in a hit and run accident this year in the crosswalk near their school. In the same ward, Lincoln Park High School Teacher Alan Nunez was killed at Grand and Morgan last year. Since 2015, Bennett Day School students and staff led protests about the dangers of that intersection, advocating for a stop sign. After Nunez's death, there is now a stop sign. Please note that these incidents are taking place in crosswalks in front of schools.

We can point to the now 25+ unfilled crossing guard positions and their noticeable absence at dangerous intersections. Or we can get creative, increase the wages, improve the benefits packages for these roles and get them filled. Every school should have at least one crossing guard.

How does the Board and CPS central office plan to address these issues - at a time when reckless driving and road rage is on the rise - how are the adults defending our children? Since June, we have been in touch with the Alderperson, Network Safety, School Safety and Security Office - who is liable?

On to the inside of schools - the widespread lack of locks that secure CPS classrooms from the inside is a clear violation of Illinois school code. This is deeply concerning as so many schools lack the personnel required to uphold safety standards. After the Ulvade massacre, we know intruders can find ways into schools and yet we are still relying on teachers to have their keys within easy reach. CEO Martinez, what is the timeline for implementation? How many school communities will be traumatized and retraumatized until then? I'd be surprised if you've heard this information before, because surely the problem would be solved if you'd have known. I'd like to hear from the board about how they will use their authority and influence to impact these essential safety concerns. Our children look forward to your quick action in these matters.

<https://blockclubchicago.org/2021/06/17/stop-sign-coming-to-dangerous-west-town-intersection-after-fourth-graders-protest-we-never-feel-safe-crossing-the-street/>

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6 Before you start the clock I want to thank Mr. Del Valle for pointing out the obvious and congratulating the two teachers, who almost got fired, for exercising their first amendment rights!

I also want to congratulate all the children and teachers that also had the courage to stand up for their rights, as they entered the building without a mask back in February and mid March! I also want to recognize a 10 year old boy, I heard about, who had the courage to exercise his 1st amendment rights, two weeks ago. He entered the building without a mask during the illegal 10 day masking! After standing up for his rights, he got punished and was denied the education he deserves. However, all these children who stood up for their rights are not being recognized by this board? Again, it is unlawful to make a blanket assumption that someone is carrying an infectious disease that is a direct threat to the health and safety of others.

This board, the union, teachers, administration, and network chiefs all of a sudden have the authority to "pick and choose" which actions and behaviors you will carry out WITHOUT lawful authority? No statute of law has been passed by the U.S. Congress that gives an exemption to CPS or the Union, to allow any individual rights to be violated! You all ignored the standing laws and invoke, and enforce your illegal policies and bargaining agreements, over and above that of the actual Laws, Federal Laws, and state and Federal Constitutional rights! Once again, we expect public apologies for all your wrong doings and implore that the 10 day masking letters wording from "must" needs to be changed immediately to recommendation/optional! Therefore, this Board continues with these disruptive protocols like these illegal mini-mandates for close contacts. As far as we know, Chicago is one of the only districts in the state continuing with these theatrics! Why is this necessary for Chicago kids and no one else?

Next topic-radical Sex Bill J.B Pritzker signed into law!  
CPS has the option to opt out, yet you didn't. Parents need to be given the exact details of the

perversion that will be taught in K-12th grade! Parents please know you can opt out if you wish!

Finally, Illinois law 720 ILCS 5/11-20 states child pornography is a felony! So J.B Pritzker is breaking the law by putting into place an unlawful Sex Bill which also includes teaching 3rd graders how to masturbate!

¡Antes de que empiece el reloj, quiero agradecer al Sr. Del Valle por señalar lo obvio y felicitar a los dos maestros, que casi son despedidos, por ejercer sus derechos de primera enmienda!

¡También quiero felicitar a todos los niños y maestros que también tuvieron el coraje de defender sus derechos, ya que entraron al edificio sin máscara en febrero y mediados de marzo! También quiero reconocer a un niño de 10 años, que tuvo el coraje de ejercer sus derechos de primera enmienda, hace dos semanas. ¡Entró al edificio sin una máscara durante el enmascaramiento ilegal de 10 días! Después de defender sus derechos, fue castigado y se le negó la educación que se merece. Sin embargo, ¿todos estos niños que defendieron sus derechos no están siendo reconocidos por esta junta? Una vez más, es ilegal hacer una suposición general de que alguien tiene una enfermedad infecciosa que es una amenaza directa para la salud y la seguridad de los demás.

¿Esta junta, el sindicato, los maestros, la administración y los jefes de la red de repente tienen la autoridad de "escoger y elegir" qué acciones y comportamientos llevará a cabo SIN autoridad legal? ¡El Congreso de los EE. UU. no ha aprobado ninguna ley que otorgue una exención a CPS o al Sindicato para permitir que se violen los derechos individuales! ¡Todos ustedes ignoraron las leyes vigentes e invocaron y aplicaron sus políticas ilegales y acuerdos de negociación, más allá de las leyes reales, las leyes federales y los derechos constitucionales estatales y federales! Una vez más, esperamos disculpas públicas por todas sus malas acciones e imploramos que la redacción de letras de enmascaramiento de 10 días de "debe" se cambie de inmediato a recomendación/opcional. Por lo tanto, esta Junta continúa con estos protocolos disruptivos como estos minimandatos ilegales para contactos estrechos. ¡Hasta donde sabemos, Chicago es uno de los únicos distritos en el estado que continúa con este teatro! ¿Por qué es esto necesario para los niños de Chicago y para nadie más?

Siguiente tema: ¡El sexo radical Bill JB Pritzker se convirtió en ley!  
CPS tiene la opción de optar por no participar, pero usted no lo hizo. ¡Los padres deben recibir los detalles exactos de la perversión que se enseñará en los grados K-12! ¡Padres, por favor sepan que pueden optar por no participar si lo desean!

Finalmente, la ley de Illinois 720 ILCS 5/11-20 establece que la pornografía infantil es un delito grave. ¡Entonces JB Pritzker está violando la ley al implementar un proyecto de ley sexual ilegal.

## **ATTACHMENTS**



# URBAN PREP CHARTER ACADEMY FOR YOUNG MEN

## STUDENT PROGRAMS OFFERING - 2022/2023

### **Departmental Clubs**

Mathletes  
Louder Than A Bomb (Spoken Word)  
Peer Tutors  
Science Club  
Real Men Read (Book Club)

### **Competitive Academic Offering**

Chess Team  
Debate Team  
Financial Literacy Team (*UIC- Partner*)

### **The Arts**

Art & Design Club (Graphic & Fabric)  
Performing Arts (Stage & Script Writing)  
Men's Choir

### **Athletic Offerings**

Big Man Club (Weightlifting/Skills Dev.)  
Golf Club  
Bowling Club  
Football (IHSA - Competitive)  
Cross Country (IHSA - Competitive)  
Basketball (IHSA - Competitive)  
Track & Field (IHSA - Competitive)  
Baseball (IHSA - Network Collaborative)  
LaCrosse (IHSA - Network Collaborative)  
Intramural Sports (Campus Based)  
Wrestling Team

### **Special Interest Offerings**

Anime Club  
Young Entrepreneurs  
Esports Team  
Videography & Photography Club  
Real Estate Investment Club  
Swift Coding Club

### **National Organizational Memberships**

Future Educators of America  
National Honors Society (Selective)  
NSBE (Natl. Society of Black Engineers)

### **School Leadership**

Student Ambassadors  
Student Government  
Dean's Deputies  
Sports Management  
UP News - Lions Roar  
EmpowerYouth Action Council

### **Partnership Offerings**

Boxing Club  
Lifeguard Training  
Student Internships (Selective)  
E.M.B.O.D.I. Mentorship Program

*More information regarding Volunteering, Parent Action Committee, and Athlete Collegiate Process, will be addressed during individual sport meetings throughout the school year.*

### **Fall Clubs will be begin Sept., 19th**

*\*\*\*Programs with limited interest will be excluded from our offerings until the following school year.*

*Students interested in clubs not presented should email: [blenore@urbanprep.org](mailto:blenore@urbanprep.org) with a detailed description of program interest.*