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Hi Jane,

I've heard about the City Council discussion regarding bonds from the city for charter schools. Do you have time to discuss briefly? I'm reading information and can see both sides of the story.

My stepdaughter, Joie, has benefitted immensely from school at Twin Cities Academy. She has learning disabilities as well as some social and emotional considerations. If she went to Harding, she'd be drowning. She needs the smaller class sizes and the attention that teachers and counselors can provide. TCA is chartered through the University of St. Thomas, and I trust that they are focusing on a quality education with checks and balances.

I also know that charter schools have been popping up all over, and I question the necessity and quality of some of them. There are many schools that do excellent work and are able to demonstrate their success. I don't know about all of them. Joie previously went to Laura Jeffrey Academy, and we pulled her out because of a lack of input on her grades and work, and lack of communication from the social worker and school regarding her learning issues.

I'd like to know your thoughts about where this might go.

Take care,
Betsy

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