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From: Donna Custodero <noreply@citizenwindow.io>

Sent: Monday, October 11, 2021 3:03 PM

To: ED, CharterRegs

Subject: [External] Opposition to Regulation #6-349: Charter Schools and Cyber Charter Schools

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From: Kristina Davila <noreply@citizenwindow.io>

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Don't forget, you are not the ones that would have to deal with what our kids would have to at brick and mortar schools. Whether it be medically or socially. Our children attend Cyber charter schools and Charter schools for a reason. And that being we all have one goal, and that is to give our children the best education possible which for their needs is in a Cyber Charter School/Charter School. Why would you deny children getting the best educatation possible for them?

Sincerely, Rebecca Cominsky Windber, PA 15963, USA beckiek218@gmail.com

From: Christopher Shaffer <noreply@citizenwindow.io>

Sent: Monday, October 11, 2021 1:21 PM

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From: James Young <noreply@citizenwindow.io>
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