

Date: March 8, 2023

Attention: Central Bucks Board of School Directors

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Subject: A Letter from Over Eight Hundred CBSD Alumni, 1959 – 2022

To CBSD School Board Members:

As proud alumni of the Central Bucks School District, we are horrified by the discriminatory and dangerous policies that you and some school administrators have implemented or allowed to happen in the district over the past year.

Our schools must be a welcoming and nurturing environment for all students. Schools should also be a marketplace of ideas that challenge students to grow and flourish their intellect. But your recent actions dramatically undermine both of these goals.

Reports of a persistent hostile environment for LGBTQ&T and other vulnerable students were rife in schools across the district for years. Students, particularly trans students, complained of regular bullying by fellow students. Instead of resolving these conflicts or disciplining those responsible for the bullying, targeted students were often told by the adults charged with protecting them that they simply needed to figure out how to cope with the bullying on their own. One teacher was even placed on administrative leave after sharing with a student information about a government agency that could address the discrimination that the student faced in school.

Some schools in the district, with the apparent blessing of some of your members, implemented a “gender identification procedure” that mandated teachers call students by the name listed in a database administered by the school. The only way to prevent a trans student from being dead-named by their teacher under the policy would be to have the student’s parent approve an official name change in the database. This forces closeted students to come out to their parents just so that they can be called by their chosen name in the classroom.

Last year, when a nonbinary student asked to attend a sex education class that didn’t conform to their birth gender, your members canceled sex education classes across the district rather than accommodating the student.

Two months later, you approved the strictest library book ban in the state, allowing a small handful of parents to challenge and remove from district libraries any book that they found objectionable. While the book ban foremost targeted LGBTQ&T themed books, any book could be potentially challenged by a disgruntled parent or school board member. These authors and themes open students to a wide array of views – some that have historically been marginalized in our country – and benefit their education.

Most recently, you passed Policy 321. Policy 321 bans teachers from discussing “partisan, political, or social policy matters” in schools and from displaying any symbols that might be considered political, including pride flags. This policy puts a significant chill on serious classroom discussion of current and historical events, and banning pride flags continues to accelerate the hostile culture towards LGBTQ&T students across the district.

To defend these clearly discriminatory policies, you have spent more than \$100,000 of taxpayer money to hire a law firm headed by a former candidate for governor who criticized the mere existence of a middle school GSA during his campaign.

As CBSD alumni, we are shocked and saddened by these developments in Central Bucks. A few board members should not be imposing their political views on thousands of students and teachers by telling them what they can and can’t read or talk about in class.

This goes against the very spirit of what a meaningful education can and should be.

Students in Central Bucks should have a school board that supports the right of students to learn in a healthy, welcoming, and intellectually challenging environment. They deserve nothing less.

Signed, in support of the well-being and education of all
CBSD students and on behalf of over eight-
hundred fellow CBSD alumni,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christina Maida', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Christina Maida, C.B. East Class of 2010

Please see attached list of signatures and comments written by CBSD alumni.

Angelina Sherba, 2018
Barbara Schroetter , 1978
Jordan Abelson, 2016
Kyle Schuster, 2004
Matthew Rugel, 2018
Melissa Ventresca , 2011
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Rachel Hall, 2010
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Samantha Smoot, 2010
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Morgan Kaye, 2010
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Kathleen Fleming, 2009
Dalton Smoot, 2014
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Stephanie Cislak, 2011
Elly Fricke, 2010
Justine O'Connell, 2011
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Brian Whelan, 2010
Jennifer Collopy, 1998
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Megan Heacock, 2010
Kristen Dunn, 2001
Christine Burgess, 2000
Cassandra Spinelli (Leonti), 2010
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Joshua Laff, 1988
Gregory Smith, Esquire, 1988
Jane, 2011
Sue Walthour, 1975
Ryan Eggleston, 1993
Jamie Burns, 2011

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Bryan Zanolini, 2009
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Eric Dashner, 2001
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Mautz), 2013
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Sarah Geller, 2009
Ellie Kuhnle, 2022
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Max Lapidés, 2010
Sara Jimenez Rincon, 2019
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Veronica Hodgson, 2022
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Dana Rothouse, 2022
Lottie Segal, 2019
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Caroline Jeranek, 2017
Danielle Parsons, 2009
Hali Shotz, 2019
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Lauren Cristofalo, 2013
Meredith (Hlasta) Baldwin, 1996
Jake Robinson, 2021
Elliott Clayton , 2017
Erin Pohl, 2021
Andrew Carroll, 2010
Monica Coyle, 2013
Alex Krumpholz, 2010
Erin Wood, 2012
Jessica Mandel , 2017
Krista Dalessandro
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Fiona Boyd-Clark, 2022
Erinn Kovar , 2010
Zandi Hall, 2023
Emma Gogol, 2018
Ian S., 2012
Katlyn Brett, 2019
Emily Cree (Snyder), 2018
Joanne Burgess , 2004
Julianne Marchione, 2020
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Rada Sokol, 2023
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Sean Preston, 2008
Jack Saias, 2022
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Amanda Morgan, 2019
Cassandra Cheatle, 2011
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Francesca Endres, 2016
Madeline Villalba, 2016
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Macella Molenari, 2016
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Sara Keats, 2008
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Michelle Krick, 2010
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Daniel Remus, 2001
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Rebecca Worthington, 2022
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Suzanne DeLellis, 1989

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Catherine Christie, 1995
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(Dolores) Ann Harmer Randall, 1966
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Trevor MacLeod, 2008
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James Dator, 1996
Kimberlee Dalton, 2007
Alexandra LeFevre, 2007
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Charles Phillips, 2007
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Patrick O'Brien, 2014
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Amy Potts (Bright), 2001
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Anna Sommers Treece, 2000
Hannah (DeBardeleben) Campion, 2000
Anna Prader, 2001
Steve Natto, 2016
Kathleen Craig, 1987
Christine (Reid) DeSantis, 2004
Marvin Johnson, 2010
Nicole Monge-Nevarez, 2021
Chloe Brady, 2007
Thomas Wodock, 1967
Colleen Check, 2002
Corinne Goldenberg, 2000

I remember growing up in CBSD being taught how wrong it was that other communities banned books. To see it happening now, and to see teachers persecuted for supporting their students and students being told they can't be themselves breaks my heart. Central Bucks was always a place that I felt safe and like the schools and my teachers had my best interests at heart - how dare you take that from this community and these kids?
If not to do the right thing, consider how your hostile policies affect the hiring and retention of quality faculty, and the consequent impact on property values. You are scorned nationally and that is how you'll be remembered as individuals.
I am absolutely shocked and horrified by the actions I have seen unfold since I graduated over 20 years ago. I graduated in 2002 proudly alongside Andrew Burgess, who was a wonderful student and I am so saddened to hear how such a warm and engaging man has been treated, all for helping students in need. CBSD hasn't given the students what they deserve - protection. We demand that for all students moving forward.
All I have to say is that it pains me to see a school district I always considered to be so supportive of me and many others. When did embracing one's own identity become a political battle? Do better, CB.
I am so glad that I no longer live in this school district. These revelations are very chilling. It makes me embarrassed to have graduated from CB West.
The board has brought shame and disgrace to the district locally and nationally.
Your rhetoric and policies are dangerous... you are encouraging bullying and hate.
The treatment of LGBTQA+ students, their families, and the staff who protect them is despicable. How can we prepare students for life after school if we can't create a safe space for them to learn and grow to their fullest potential?
LGBTQ students are among the most vulnerable. These are YOUNG PEOPLE who need to be valued as members of society, and protected from abusive behavior. You will not change sexual orientation by these draconian practices; rather, you might be accomplices in driving these students towards, or right to, the brink.
Board members should not be imposing their political views on thousands of students and teachers by telling them what they can and can't read or talk about in class. This goes against the very spirit of what a meaningful education can and should be. The board is destroying the good name of Central Bucks School Districts and does not reflect the opinions of the residents, students, teachers and alumni.
I have always been proud to be a CBSD graduate - until these actions. I want CBSD to be a safe place for everyone, for all backgrounds and gender expressions and free thought. Our teachers must be allowed to express support for their students, especially LGBTQIA+ students that may already be struggling. We must strive for inclusiveness, not divisiveness.
As the parent of two gay teenagers I find these policies deplorable. Teenagers deal with enough things, LGBTQ+ even more so. School should always be a safe and welcoming place for all. Do better.
As an LGBTQ Educator, your district is unappealing to many of my education peers and I. I always dreamed of going back to teach at South; consider that dream dead.
I'm appalled that the district I grew up in would be so hateful and homophobic. I always felt that my community was accepting and this is truly upsetting to see.
Shame on you.
I used to be proud to say I graduated from CB . I actually moved back here to raise my children. They too used to be proud of having been from this district.
It's incredibly disappointing to see our district regress and become unsafe for student self-expression.
I used to be so proud of being a part of CBSD... I am now so glad that I graduated before all this happened and so ashamed of what CBSD has become. My heart is broken for the students and staff who are being directly hurt by your policies. To the few of you who are still advocating for the rights of ALL CBSD students and staff, thank you.
Every student should feel safe and welcome in CB schools - regardless of race or sexual orientation. Teachers and staff can often be the only resource for a child struggling with identity. You should be empowering educators to help students, instead of shunning and ostracizing them.
Shame on you.
Ashamed to have graduated from CB with it's "new values." I used to take pride being a CBSD alumnus and valued the open and accepting education I received. I now fear for those currently in the CBSD system. Do better.
Teaching ignorance is a very quick way to set up students for failure post high school. I know from experience that the rest of the country does not operate or think this way. The sheer stupidity of the administration is appalling and I'm ashamed to be an alumni.
CBSD is Unprofessional and unethical. Really pathetic , please do better. It's not about the parents. It's about the children.
Do better.

As someone who felt welcomed by almost every teacher in my years of CBSD, especially in 7th grade where I was just coming to terms with aspects of my personality and identity, I can't imagine what it would feel like to not be able to freely express yourself and have support from your trusted teachers. It's so saddening to see this happening.
As an LGBTQ+ person myself, I am heartbroken and horrified by the actions and decisions of this school district. I struggled throughout my entire 12+ years at CBSD to feel confident in who I was because of how close minded and discriminatory the district was back then. This truthfully feels like even a further step back. Your youth will suffer if you don't truly listen and hear what they need, and grow to support them. It's up to you to foster the next generation.
Do better.
As a current Social Studies teacher, I am shocked and saddened by the decisions of the board. I currently have students who identify as non-binary/LGBTQ and it brings so much joy to me and them to respect and celebrate their identity. Inclusivity costs nothing and means everything to people who are already struggling to find their place in the world. I truly hope that moving forward the board will support policies that embrace all students, no matter their identity, and allow them to celebrate themselves with pride and dignity.
People should have the freedom and safety to be themselves. The actions of the school board are abhorrent... you are now creating an even more harmful and unsafe environment for hundreds of young and impressionable people. Shame on CBSD.
The actions taken by this school board are disgusting and disgraceful. I am grateful to have had a great experience in and have gotten a quality, well-rounded education from CBSD that prepared me to thrive in college and beyond. It breaks my heart that ALL students no longer have that opportunity in CBSD. Children cannot learn if they are unsafe. Children cannot learn if they are under attack. Put aside your pride and do the right thing - do not impose your extremist beliefs on the children, educators, and families of CBSD.
Do better.
I think when we discuss these issues, it's often forgotten that we are speaking on behalf of children, yes, but more importantly humans. Humans with opinions and personalities and feelings that adults are frankly not listening to. But these are THEIR lives that we are talking about. It is THEIR lives that you are trying to dictate through the pursuit of harmful rhetoric that constricts their ability to learn, and to ultimately become who they truly are. Banning pride flags and LGBTQ+ literature will not stop your children from being gay. But what it will do is teach them that they aren't worth love and acceptance. In a world where so much that is out of our control, why are we trying to dictate what others choose to do with their lives? Why are we trying to censor our children from knowing about REAL history and REAL people? Education is not about protection from reality- it's about opening our minds to think critically about the world we live in. At the end of the day, these students' identities actually have nothing to do with you. So when are we going to stop pretending that all of this has nothing to do with the best interest of the students... it's about your want for power and control. And it's about time we grow up and stop making life-altering decisions for others, based on our own personal agendas.
Do better.
Do better.
You are ruining lives! You can't possibly understand what it's like to grow up queer unless you've done it.
As a proud CBSD alumni, a proud daughter of a multi-decade CBSD teacher, and the proud mother of LGBTQIA children, I implore this school board to reexamine their commitment to an environment safe for growing minds, rather than an environment that predominantly protects outgrown ideologies.
Do your job. Listen to the people you claim to represent. The community wants nothing to do with the political agenda you are pushing. I hope you in the board majority are ashamed of yourselves.
Do better.

When I attended CBSD, the classrooms of my favorite teachers were a place that I could be comfortable. They were a place where I could be who I knew I was - when I didn't have the luxury of doing that in my family's home. I learned how to start being me - queer, and unapologetically so - through the support and kindness of the teachers within the district and my friends. I was an extremely successful student, I was involved in many activities and clubs, and I ran for class president. Through theater I learned how to speak out. Through creative writing I learned how to let people in. Through media production I learned how to create the content I would have loved to have seen growing up. Through CBSD I grew. I was never afraid in the halls of CB West. I never felt anything other than supported and heard, and it brings me nothing but pain and disappointment to know that that opportunity - that feeling of safety - is being taken away from current students as support systems are barbarically removed from beneath them when they need them most. These decisions are a perversion of the system I used to believe in and appreciate.

Growing up is hard for everyone. Please don't make it even harder for your most vulnerable students.

Thank you to the teachers, faculty and fellow students from my time in CBSD who created spaces that accepted everyone, and allowed us to grow into who we needed to be. I'll never forget those of you who understood, saw, and stood by your queer students and continue to, to this day, even in the face of adversity.

Do better.

Do better.

This is unacceptable.

CBSD was regarded highly nationally... now the news I hear is disgusting. Let kids be kids. These things always existed you just were ignorant. If you don't listen to the children you shouldn't be in charge. You should be helping these children not exposing them.

In light of recent events, I am disgusted at the events unfolding within the school district I graduated from. My time at CBSD was the welcoming environment I needed at that point in my life. The staff and faculty taught and helped me through many dark times in my life, and to see the school board turn their back on the students and faculty breaks my heart. Many students do not have the support system at home, and may even live in a potentially hostile environment. To think it [it's] ok, or acceptable to no longer provide a welcoming environment, or even put their lives in danger is appalling. I thought the board would be better, and have the backs of all students and members of the district. However, it appears I expected too much.

Your duty is to provide an educational setting where every student can thrive and meet their potential. At all times - but especially now, while trans students are being targeted for political ends - your top priority should be to protect those who are most vulnerable by making sure they are welcomed, supported, and included. It is heartbreaking to see adults repeatedly taking actions that send the opposite message and harm the emotional and mental health of young people. It is also deeply disturbing that CBSD would direct public funds to hateful and divisive individuals and groups to defend these misguided actions, instead of charting a better, more inclusive path.

I was once proud to call CBSD my alma mater, but now it's shameful. Stop trying to insert politics into education. Children deserve the same non-hateful and inclusive education I received.

The "LGBTQA+ Community" is not just a political talking point. It represents real people with real experiences. Their lives are impacted when you decide to ban books and resources that demonstrate their humanity. Undoubtedly this will only cause more division; it is in your best interest to just give in. Love everyone. Accept people are different from you; that does not mean they are wrong or inappropriate and it especially does not mean they deserve any less than equal, EQUITABLE representation. They're kids. Let them define their own future; stop trying to restrict and keep them in your definitions of right or wrong. Give them the access to all the information they need to become their truest self.

It really is shameful to hear about CBSD's lack of awareness, empathy, and support for the LGBTQ community years after graduating. Kind of wild to think that a school district, responsible for the well being and education of students, is blatantly treating a demographic with inequity and neglect. Extremely disappointing to hear about this.

Do better by the students

You should be ashamed.

Just because you cannot understand something, does not mean you should hate or fear it. There is no reason to ban flags, books, or who participates in education. It appears that you cannot understand just how much of an impact they can have on someone's life. I don't want my tax money to fund fear and hatred. Students should be treated with respect no matter what their beliefs are, who they love, or who they strive to be. Please don't force your beliefs on others and do your job, which is teaching and protecting your students.

These new disgraceful, hateful, and anti-intellectual policies make me embarrassed to have attended CBSD and are disrespectful to the current students and faculty.
My family won't be moving back to Bucks County because of your regressive policy choices.
Do better for the future of our kids! It's your duty to keep them safe while they are in school. Our communities are changing daily and so should the district! I remember CBSD having an open door policy for EVERYONE. EVERYONE MEANS EVERYONE and not just people in your political or religious groups. It's sad in 2023 this needs to be said. Teach our children, keep them safe, and most importantly support them to be the best version of themselves to succeed in our already difficult world!
Do better to protect LBGTQ+ children in the district. Actively make safe spaces for them & support them as equally to all other students.
Shame on you.
I'm a middle school teacher in Maryland now. I'm horrified by what's happening in CBSD school. The pride flag in my classroom signals to my LGBTQ+ students that my classroom is a safe space for them. It is NOT inclusive to ban flags. What you're doing to our children is not okay. One day you'll see that you're on the wrong side of history.
Do better! People of all backgrounds deserve to feel safe in the CBSD community despite the close minded brains of a small majority of people who are unfortunately incredibly vocal about their hate. All kids should feel welcome in cb and I think most students would agree.
As a middle school teacher, I am horrified at the climate CBSD has established for their staff and students, and working there genuinely sounds like a nightmare for anyone involved.
Do better.
Do better.
Y'all are a disappoint and a disgrace. You are all the reason why my friend Katie Gane isn't here with us today. You should be ashamed of yourself. Will you stop at restricting and censoring education? Will you burn our books too? Will you disband our clubs too? Will you start a registry of LGBT students too? Where will you end? When will you be satisfied? When your children are empty shells devoid of happiness? When children start to think they are better off dead than queer? I am disgusted to say I attended CBW. I used to be proud of my school. I used to feel happy about starting the GSA at Lenape. Now I never want to step foot near those schools again. I never want to call myself an alumnus of CBW. There is nothing to be proud of anymore. I do not want to tie myself to the legacy of this school board.
Such embarrassing behavior from people who claim to care about students.
I am shocked and ashamed by the recent ongoing policies espoused by the board. I am one of three female siblings that graduated from CBSD schools in 2010, 2011, 2014 (on to Duke and Harvard) with nothing but exceptional things to say about the quality of our educational experiences. However I cannot fathom sending my future daughter or son to a school in this district under its current administration and the disturbing policies in place. I am all for healthy political and social debate but this is not that - this is bigotry.
I used to be proud to be a Central Bucks alum. I had so many amazing teachers who opened the world to me and helped me find my place in it. What you're doing now is hurting not only the generation of students but future ones as well.
As someone who came out later in life, I can say that access to lgbtq+ themed books/classroom topics and general expressions of acceptance would have helped me know myself and save myself from years of emotional distress and mental illness. The danger of these policies is real for children.
What you're doing is not only embarrassing, but you're failing the children for real life experiences and expectations. Sheltering them from certain knowledge is beneficial to no one but the oppressor. Shame on you all.
I recently moved back to CBSD, proud to send my daughter to my alma mater. Instead I am now embarrassed and worried about what her experience will be in the district.
I'm so upset with how CBSD has changed so much recently and only for the worse. I hope you guys can get your stuff together and make it better try to amend the wrongs you have committed.
You are failing your students.
I am outraged by what priorities you have put in place for the students of this district. It is so disheartening that you have done so. Please listen to the people and change.
I helped start the GSA (Gay Straight Alliance) with fellow students when I was at CBW. The need for a supportive environment for LGBT&Q students is as abundantly clear now as it was then. I am appalled by the decisions the CBSD has been making in denying basic rights to their students. It is shameful and the consequences of these actions are catastrophic.
Do better.

I'm disappointed but not surprised by the steep dive this district has taken into institutionalized hate and discrimination. I am disgusted by the bigotry of this school board and the select group of parents advising them, and I am embarrassed to be an alum. No matter how hard you try to brainwash these kids into believing that diversity is a negative thing and free thought and expression is wrong, they will see the injustice of your teachings the second they graduate and head into the real world. And hopefully it'll fuel them to go out and make this world a better place, to fix all the harm your board has done.
Do better.
Please consider the lasting damage this can have on your students' ability to trust that they're safe enough to pursue their goals
The CBSD that I knew worked hard to make me feel accepted for who I was and to not accept every answer without question. Don't squander CBSD's reputation and strengths on some culture war nonsense.
Do better.
Do better.
There are so many things alums and current students should be proud of. Your actions are overshadowing all of that on an increasingly national stage. All kids deserve to feel safe at school. Your individual beliefs should not be allowed to endanger that fundamental truth.
Do better.
You're all on the wrong side of history. Stop neglecting the students, stop wastng my tax money, stop trying to ban rainbows, and most importantly, mind your own business. Their sexuality is still developing, they're children, give them the space to figure out who they are, quit being creeps about it.
Do better.
Be better. You are causing irreparable damage and harm to our beloved and inclusive community.
Banning books and other items around the classroom, in addition to mishandling numerous LGBTQIA+ issues with students is decidedly unamerican. The board should be ashamed of there regressive and harmful new direction. While I used to be proud to be alum. It's an incredibly embarrassing time to be a Doylestown native and CBSD grad.
I have witness and been bullied for sexual orientation. It's unacceptable and unsafe in the worlds current climate. Kids should feel safe coming to school. They should feel protected. Your job is to protect them. So do it.
Do better.
As a nearly 30 year old woman looking to buy a home to settle down in I used to require that that home be in CBSD so my children could get a good education. I now look to make sure the homes are NOT in CBSD. I am so disappointed and appalled at the school board's decisions as of late. Children need to be respected and protected, not silenced and censored. Be better.
You have all abandoned your objective to better and develop children and instead do them harm at the bequest of a loud minority. You are the danger to children, not pride flags, not books.
Do better. For a district that prides itself in leading the way, you're doing anything but that.
Stop disgracing us on the national stage and being hypocritical. The CBSD school district used to be a place of freedom of thought and speech when it came to learning. What happened?
Do better. Knowledge is power and should never be a source of fear. All should be empowered and accepted at CBSD schools.
Do better. Our children are watching.
Stop being homophobic.
Be better. Your current actions are clearly those of a discriminatory, hateful agenda. Our history must not be defined by you and your single-minded beliefs. Be better.
This is embarrassing and disgusting. Keeping my children far from your schools until this is over turned.
Do better. Shame on you.
It's a shame how backwards our school board is heading. These are important conversations that all students have to learn and talk about. Shutting them down will not help.
Do better. Stop hurting children.
You are an embarrassment
Embarrassed, disturbed, disappointed. I met some of the most important and impactful people in my life's within your four walls. All students should feel comfortable with themselves and their surroundings at school.
Because of their inaction, regardless of the INTENT or MOTIVE, it will result in the deaths of students. I hope they know that because whatever incentive they may be getting for being accomplices to this kind of violence, it isn't worth the lives of these students.

As a teacher myself, I am saddened for teachers and students in the district that I attended as a student. I am disappointed that this has become a district that I would not be willing to teach in due to its discriminatory nature of marginalized students.
I am disturbed to see what has happened to the district I grew up in! I used to think we lead the way for innovation, growth and acceptance. I used to be proud. Now I am embarrassed to admit that I came from this district. All involved should be ashamed!
I went to Central Bucks schools and now own a home here. The fact that my money is being spent on these discriminatory policies is sickening and infuriating. It is a human right that ALL kids feel safe in their schools, not a political debate. Do what's right and stop putting your political agenda before the safety and lives of the kids in our district.
As a CB alum and child of a district employee, the actions of the school board continue to shock and appall my family and I. Not only are queer students at risk in what should be a safe learning environment, but lgbtq+ staff and faculty are put in a position where they feel unsafe expressing themselves at their place of work.
When the world is already so scary for these kids, they deserve an ally. More than that, they deserve someone to protect them. You don't have to scream from the rooftops but ignoring or worse, worsening these problems puts these kids in danger. Whatever happens to them is on your hands.
I am currently an elementary school teacher in Indiana, and despite the conservative nature of the state, even my district would never allow this. Students should not be treated as if they will only be valued so long as they are heterosexual or white. They should be loved, supported, and encouraged to be who they are so that learning can occur. School is supposed to be a place where creativity and differences are appreciated, not suppressed. The choices being made are incredibly harmful and are absolutely repulsive. You cannot preach about respect when you clearly have none for the students who attend your schools. I am embarrassed and ashamed to be an alumni of such a close-minded institution. The kids are the first priority ALWAYS, NOT the parents.
As a psychologist, I see firsthand the negative impact policies like these have on students. We need schools and administrations that help students feel welcome and safe, and that teach them to navigate challenging conversations and topics. In today's climate, we need more open discussion and more safe spaces for students to explore different ideas and belief systems and to learn to do so respectfully. The district's recent policies are extremely disturbing and disheartening, and illustrate what happens when people aren't taught to think critically and to have productive dialogue with those with differing opinions. Our students deserve much better.
Stop the insanity!! Kids need outlets to show others and themselves what they believe in. Don't hinder that. Let them advocate for themselves and what they believe in.
This is an absolute disgrace. As a former student and current employee, I'm embarrassed of what Central Bucks has become.
The damage done to young LGBTQIA students through your antiquated rules and restrictions will take YEARS AND YEARS for these humans to undo. Shame on you and these policies.
Total disappointment and embarrassment
As a former student who could not come out due to the hostile environment towards LGBTQ+ members, I worry for the kids who are now a target of the current conservative agenda. This is not helping children, this is hurting them. Protect queer kids at all costs, many do not have parents who are willing to do so. The teachers who did make school a safe place during my time made a lasting impact in my life because they gave me hope that life would get better once I got out of there. I wasted years of my life pretending to be someone I was not, just so I could be safe. The school system should be a safe place for ALL children regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.
Do better. The actions you've chosen are embarrassing and ultimately dangerous (especially to those who are LGBTQIA+). Nothing you're doing is creating a safer space, instead it is creating a hostile environment. Get rid of these bogus policies that nobody wants. Again, do better.
I beg of you to turn things around. When I moved back to CB 2 years ago, I was proud to have the opportunity to send my son to what was an amazing public school system. I'm now ashamed to say I'm a CB alum and lack confidence in the administration's ability to provide a healthy, safe and challenging academic environment for him. Your responsibility is not to your political views but to fostering a positive educational experience for all kids of all backgrounds and beliefs.
Do better. Your children, PA, America, and history are watching.
Why are we making it harder for students to feel included and understood? Don't they have it hard enough? I'm ashamed of what's going on. I'm ashamed to be a product of this school district these days.

Promote community, not division. If you are so afraid of political agendas, look at history, look at what happens when people ban books, and who those people are. They are dictators, autocrats, and religious zealots. Don't be them, be welcoming.
Do better. Your first priority should be the well-being and education of the students, and it is not your job to force your own personal opinions onto everyone in the school district. It is your job to support them and keep them safe and make sure their mental and physical well-being are not being effected by policies you are putting into place
What you are doing is dangerous and fascist. Your censorship is not only hurtful, it is hateful and wrong. Stop imposing your right wing policies on children, teachers, and staff who now feel less safe and comfortable attending school. My teachers and classmates were the best part of my middle and high school years. I am now deeply ashamed to be from CBSD. I urge you to step down immediately.
CB been taking dangerous steps backwards into hateful ideology. Why are you driving your best instructors away?
I can't understand how for years you have turned a blind eye to the hate, bullying, and harassment happening in your schools. I was a victim of such bullying and harassment from students and staff for years up until my senior year of high school. It's disgraceful.
ALL people should feel heard, safe, and comfortable at school. Not just those that share your beliefs.
Shame on you.
Truthfully kids have access to the internet and there are much bigger things this PUBLIC school should be concerned about besides alienating and marginalizing a group of people. You should be doing so much more than spending our tax dollars on homophobic policy's. Keep your politics and religious moral away from children. That \$100,000 you spent on a lawyer to defend your sad excuse of the policy is laughable. Where was that money when my computer science teacher had to be my ceramics teacher. Or when the woodshop teacher had to be my social studies teacher. It's absolutely ridiculous that not only are these policies being put into place but where the money is being spent. Shame on you.
Every child should feel safe, have equity, equality, inclusion and no fear of retaliation. To think our education could actually get more white washed and discriminatory... I could never. Do better Bucks!!!
Promote a safe environment for people of all backgrounds and cultures. Banning books and flags is a slippery slope.
You embarrass the district, and I am excited for the day the children that went through this school district undo all of the hateful and archaic initiatives you've put in place.
This makes me disappointed that I went to CB west.
Growing up, CBSD was a school district everyone longed to be in. Today we have students and their families moving out of the area to get away from the district. What happened? Do better.
Your efforts to ban books and hide content about differences in the human condition is utterly despicable. It's an embarrassment and a failure to progress your students on their educational journey to being fully realized, thinking adults.
The school board should be ashamed and maybe put some effort into supporting teachers instead of disrespecting students.
To the 6 far-right members and Dr. Lucabaugh, STOP revising/creating policies which are clearly discriminatory and not in our kids best interest. STOP spending our tax money on a public relations firm. STOP spending our tax money on a law firm who is clearly discriminatory. STOP having HATE groups and organizations create these policies. My kids deserve the best in education. My kids deserve the right to learn freely, to read freely and to think freely!
I have been getting more and more embarrassed to be an alumni of CBSD. The school board seems more concerned with their own hateful, transphobic agenda than the safety and wellbeing of the students and supporting the caring and passionate teachers who are looking out for them.
Do better.
Shocked and horrified. When will this end? Listen to the majority you represent, not the hateful minority.
I used to be proud of the school I matriculated from and spoke so highly of all the nuances behind each class I took that challenged me, prepared me for university, and made me into a well-rounded interdisciplinary student and young woman (what the world is in need of). Your damaging policies will push back the future generation and cause them to lag as compared to many other states' highly praised primary schools. How do you teach a curriculum in history or any AP government classes without discussing political matters in class to create context and deeper understanding? Please think long and hard about your impact on the future and the children that will be produced into adults who must shape the world. Please think about the negatives that can only come out of this. I know it's hard to swallow pride, reverse decisions, and admit failure; however, one must think of the greater good.

I am ashamed to be affiliated with this school. From the protection of pedophiles to the politicization of young people's identities to absolute lack of sex education, I feel a great sense of shame in having spent my youth in this institution. Do better. Teach truths. Save lives.
To think CBSD has backslid into far-right extremism this much in the 25 years since I graduated is horrifying. My father graduated from CB West in 1965, his parents both graduated from Doylestown High School in the early 1940s, and all three of them would be deeply saddened by this board's actions, too. Shame on you.
As a future teacher myself, this is frightening and disgusting. You are ruining the lives of so many young and impressionable students who are just trying to survive in this horrible world. YOU are solely making so many lives worse and there will be consequences because of it, unfortunately it will be mostly on the students' lives and not yours. I am disgusted to say that I graduated from this district.
It's a shame that you have succumb to the loudest voices in the room. You have no right to impose a ban on freedom of speech when you would be the first to defend our rights as Americans. You should all be ashamed. Central Bucks used to be a proud district that families flocked to be a part of. Now it has become a tool used for politics and agendas rather than focusing on the education and well being of its students.
Please bring back the open and welcoming environment I remember from my time at CB East. The GSA and the flags and books don't hurt anyone. School is a place for everyone to feel safe, and I am disheartened to learn of new discriminatory policies. Why is it going backwards from when I was a student? Fix your hearts.
I am beyond disappointed that the CBSD school board has decided to make CBSD an unwelcoming place for LGBTQ+ students. Having no empathy for the students you are supposed to fairly represent is despicable. As an alumna of CB elementary, middle, and high schools I am appalled by the sheer lack of respect given to these students, when I knew CB to be a respectful and caring community of schools and teachers. I am imploring all members of the school board to promote an inclusive and respectful environment in our schools for our most vulnerable students. Do better. I was proud to graduate from CB but the new-founded reputation of the district that the school board has promoted is disgraceful. You have angered and ostracized not only current students but masses of alumni. CB has always prioritized open minds, inclusivity, and kindness and it is imperative you reflect upon your disastrous impact on the students, community, and legacy of CB.
I am embarrassed to say I went to a CBSD school. You are a disgrace. Do better.
The CBSD school board is a disgrace to students and teachers everywhere.
Be fair and tolerant. People deserve to be themselves.
CBSD did not make me gay or trans. I was born gay and trans, and when I went to CBSD, I was lucky enough to have teachers who could be supportive without fear of repercussions for doing what every good teacher does— love and care for their students, regardless of who they are or where they come from. The teachers I had at CBSD inspired me to become a teacher myself. At one point, I had wanted to return to this district to teach alongside the amazing staff and students I know still exist in our schools. I no longer feel safe doing so. The idea of my livelihood being at risk if students find out about my personal life or I am too outwardly supportive of those students exactly like me who go through our classrooms every day. We've all seen how you treated Mr. Burgess, and I don't think anyone doubts the same could happen to them. No one at CBSD has made any student queer, no matter how simple or easy it might be to think that way. Like me, like the kids who graduated a decade ago and will graduate a decade from now, there will always be queer kids. We can acknowledge and support those kids, or erase them into submission. How is it that I was in the district before same sex marriage was even legalized and had a better experience than students do now? Your policies are reactionary, fear-based responses to a group that has always existed and you only now perceive as a threat. But they're just kids, I promise. I hope these kids will grow up to be happy and healthy despite all your best efforts, and that they remember their educators and community love them, even if CBSD doesn't.
This is sad, I'm no longer proudly sharing that I attended and graduated from Central Bucks, it's something I try not to tell others at this point
We all know you don't care about your students or community. You have made a joke out of Doylestown and the entire country is watching. You should be embarrassed.
At this point I'm ashamed telling people what school district I come from because the policies have become so ridiculous. CBSD's reputation has been severely tarnished.
This is genuinely disgusting and anyone supporting taking away these kids right to express themselves and feel seen in a space where they should feel SAFE and HEARD should be ashamed of themselves. Being LGBT is not a partisan issue, it's being a human being and part of their experience of living and it's an awful thing to take that away from them.
Treating your students and teachers in this manner is inhumane. Time and time again you have shown that you have no care whatsoever for the safety of your students. Your actions do nothing but perpetuate a legacy that prioritizes preserving bigotry and greed over the precious lives of these students.

<p>When I attended CB East, I experienced bullying simply as a more "masculine female", so I cannot imagine the struggles trans individuals must have. The fact that staff is forbidden to allow these students to navigate through their gender identity and discovery who they are is appalling. People of the LGBTQ+ community have always existed and will continue to exist. It is essential to the mental health of youth to have queer safe spaces, especially when they spend so much time at school. It is 2023, so the fact that the district is back tracking on acceptance is actually creating a more toxic environment for youth to grow and discover. It is hard to concentrate on learning when a child is frightened to come to school everyday.</p>
<p>In short, the current state of the school board is much more than just a shame. It's a failure of your duty of care to create an environment where each and every student that walks the halls of a CBSD school can thrive, feel safe, and respected by their peers and teachers.</p>
<p>I'm simply appalled by the lack of forbearance the school board and superintendent have demonstrated in their cowing to a handful of alarmists and extremists. The arguments and lists being put forth for banning books did not originate in this community, while the tax dollars being spent to uphold these ludicrous policy decisions did. It's also insulting to the devoted and expert library staff in this district that this non-expert school board would so blatantly disregard their judgment. I'm genuinely concerned that the emphasis on critical thinking and exposure to challenging texts that I am grateful to have had in CB has been curtailed since I graduated just two years ago.</p>
<p>To "the 6" board members and to Dr. Lucabaugh your actions are inexcusable, causing harm and will continue to cause more harm to students who are bullied regularly. Stop already.</p>
<p>Do not limit the minds of tomorrow - we see right before us how prejudicial this is. How do you expect a person to be wise when you withhold information?</p>
<p>I'm not moving back to Doylestown to raise my son specifically because of the Central Bucks School System.</p>
<p>Let's make CBSD a loving and caring environment for all students together.</p>
<p>Please understand that you represent all the people in CBSD, not just those who look and think like you do. Your actions have been exclusionary, elitist, and the epitome of government overreach. Also, embarrassing to us former grads.</p>
<p>I see you continue to encourage discrimination. As a black student subjected to intense bullying during my tenure, and whose siblings had to transfer out due to the racism displayed by the teachers towards them, I'm disgusted that instead of getting better, it's gotten even worse. Do better CBSD.</p>
<p>The school board is so scared of a 1984-style dystopian existence that they are doing everything in their power to create it.</p>
<p>I was an active student all throughout my CBSD career. I spoke at my graduation, I spoke at the Tamanend Award ceremony, and I received the highest award from Tamanend my freshman year. I have removed all of these achievements from my resume not just because they are outdated now that I am entering grad school, but because it makes my skin crawl to have any employer associate me with the disgrace that Central Bucks School District has become. Do better, be better.</p>
<p>I'm disgusted by what is occurring in my district since I have left. I had such a wonderful time growing up in CBSD and to see a place I held in such high regard turn to sh*t makes me incredibly upset. You should be appalled at yourselves for putting thousands of students in hostile environments. Do better.</p>
<p>I was a founding member of the CB West Gay Straight Alliance in 2000, and it's absolutely shocking and shameful to me that in 23 years, the district has somehow become more discriminatory and hostile to their LGBTQIA students. We relied on our teachers being able to show us their support through pride stickers, flags, etc - students need to know who and where their safe spaces are in school. Why have you regressed? There is beauty in diversity and acceptance.</p>
<p>This is a horrible policy and not representative of the community of Central Bucks. You should collectively be ashamed of your blatant discriminatory policies.</p>
<p>These policies are disgusting, and your use of tax dollars on a PR firm and a law firm associated with Family Research Council are abhorrent.</p>
<p>Do better.</p>
<p>Do better.</p>
<p>Extremely disappointed in the district and its anti-acceptance and hurtful rhetoric and policies by these dangerous board members. I can no longer call myself a proud CBSD alumni.</p>
<p>You are ruining the future of this district. This has historically been one of the highest performing academic school districts in the state, producing intelligent and successful alumni who go on to study at top universities, and many of whom return to CB as adults where they continue to contribute to the flourishing local culture, community and economy. In addition to the great points in this letter, I urge you to consider the long term economic impact your decisions will have on the CB area. Allowing a few far-right parents and board members to dictate curriculum (banning</p>

books and social topics etc as you have done so far) does nothing but diminish these students' educational enrichment. You are making it harder for CB students to achieve academically at the level necessary to compete with other students across the country to gain acceptance to good colleges and post-grad school programs. Limiting CB kids' access to higher education in turn limits the kinds of jobs and work they can get later on, diminishes their earning power, and ultimately will economically capsize the CB community in the future. Say goodbye to tax dollars. I wouldn't send my kids to this school in its current state. Nobody in their right mind wants to be anywhere near this utter sh*t show. But it's not a lost cause. This school district is still worth saving.

Trans and Queer Pride and Liberation Forever. We are not going anywhere.

I know so many fantastic history teachers who I had the privilege of learning from because of CB. This were teachers who made me want to become a historian and politician.

Some of these teachers have retired or just straight up left because of your ridiculous policies, while others are struggling. You say you want the best for your students. If you keep these policies up, no qualified would (or should for that matter) touch CBSD with a 10 foot poll.

My husband and I are both alumni of CBSD and have very fond memories of not only the education we received in the classroom there, but also the connections we made with others who to expanded our life experiences in the complex world where we would soon find ourselves as adults. To prepare students for successful and enriched lives outside of CBSD is to help them learn to navigate new or different ideas with curiosity, openness, and critical thinking; to avoid, punish, or forbid the threads in a fabric that don't fit into a certain ideology or norm is to rob the students of that fullest education: it fails them. As our families still live in the area, we had always had plans to move back to Doylestown, and as professionals with resources, this has been a realistic option. With the disappointing actions of the CBSD that no longer reflect the gold standard we grew up with, we have changed those plans. Our tax dollars will be spent in a district that provides our daughters with the richest education and experiences possible, which is no longer CB. We are only one family of many alumni that have said the same. The actions of the CBSD SB is devaluing the property in its district for the first time in decades.

Your job as elected officials for the Central Bucks School District is to help make education better for all involved, students, teachers, parents. Instead a majority of you have decided to impose your 1950's view of our great county. You fear the words in books, you fear individualism. You are unacceptable and quite bluntly a disgrace and embarrassment!

Please do better. Be better. Make the school district safe for ALL students

The school board needs to do better. The central bucks school district used to be great but it has gotten so bad. This past year all I have seen about CBSD in the news has been so negative and awful.

They, need to do better, and it's a waste of our taxpayer dollars.

I am disappointed and embarrassed by the direction you have taken. Time and again, you have made all the wrong decisions to protect children. In doing so, you use our tax dollars irresponsibly.

All students should be welcomed and celebrated in the school community no matter who they love or how they identify. School should be a safe place where diversity of thought, gender and sexuality are nurtured. It should be a place where young adults are encouraged to navigate their social experiences with kindness and compassion. It's such a shame that the CBSD school board has been so divisive. What a sad example for the young people coming through the schools right now.

This is narrow minded, foolish behavior. Implementing policies which create zero benefit for any student and instead only causing harm. LGBTQ+ students are deserving of the same compassion, understanding, and support of their non-LGBTQ+ peers. LGBTQ+ students, children, have always existed. They are not new, they are not made up, and they certainly do not deserve this hatred and discrimination disguised as safe policy. School is meant to be a safe environment for learning and you have heartlessly taken that away. Be ashamed, be extremely ashamed in yourselves and frankly, do better. It is the very least you should do.

Trying to disguise LGBTQIA+ hate as "neutrality" is the most disgusting thing I have ever witnessed; and will only harm the youth of Bucks County.

You all are scaring the students. This is making our school district look bad to everyone else in the country.

Only good can come from cultivating a gender-affirming culture and accepting environment for LGBTQ students. LGBTQ youth have a higher rate of suicidality and depression. This is in part due to issues of bullying and lack of acceptance. These policies only further discriminate and stigmatize. They will only increase the burden on LGBTQ students. Rejecting such policies will help improve these students health. And it's not hard to be gender affirming and accepting. You just have to care enough to do it.

This is not the same school district I proudly graduated from in 2018! Do better CBSD.

Heartbreaking to know that these wonderful teachers & allies are not free to support our queer students of CBSD.
As someone who finally felt comfortable coming out to my parents and friends in college, I really would have had a better high school experience if there were more allyship and support from my mentors. Kids should feel welcome and at home in a school environment because that should be the least of their worries, and rather than policing who someone is, maybe focus on the overarching academic curriculum and update it! When I left, there was the very beginnings of flexible learning and lunch with a larger opportunity for tutoring, but as my sister entered her last years in high school, my hopes for a better learning environment were dashed when I heard about what was going on! CB is a great school district, and I really want to be proud of my county, but I can't do that when you can't be proud of your own kids.
I am disgusted, embarrassed, and disappointed to be pursuing a career in elementary education as a product of Central Bucks. Central Bucks has shown me exactly what kind of education system I do not want to be a part of.
Your decisions affect the lives and development of children. Recognize the importance of this and take responsibility for the severe trauma you've caused. Recognize the lasting significance and the great responsibility you have. Let children be who they are. Let them learn from the mistakes this country has made so they go out into the world and change it for the better. Teach them to be accepting, understanding, and empathetic. Recognize that CBSD students deserve more than you are capable of offering and concede your positions to those who actually take the initiative to learn and understand.
You guys let a pedophile teach choir at West for 30 years and didn't have a care in the world, but pride flags and respecting kids chosen names and pronouns are a problem? You're really out here showing where your priorities are at.
I was privileged to have an amazing liberal education at Central Bucks East with teachers who were not afraid to expose us to a variety of opinions and cultures while encouraging thoughtful and respectful conversation. It prepared me far beyond many students for college and graduate studies, as well as life in general. I am embarrassed and appalled by what I read and hear coming out of this district that took pride in being an educational leader when my brother and I were there. Shame on the school board for allowing these policies and actions!
This is not the school district that helped form me. I am so disappointed. The school district I went through from K-12 was accepting, a safe space, and challenged students to have healthy debate and intellectual discussion. It did not ban books, certain topics, and try to whitewash everything. You can do better.
This is simultaneously embarrassing and terrifying. These policy changes do not live up to the National Blue Ribbon standards that the district once prided itself on. DO BETTER for our children.
The discrimination being perpetuated is disgusting and flat wrong.
It is not fair in anyway to refuse someone books or flags or any kind of representation to make them feel worthy and welcomed in a space. This is beyond disgusting.
I am so glad that I got out of CB when I did. The board is not "protecting" anyone with their policies; they are doing the opposite. You are encouraging the discrimination of a marginalized group, enabling needless bullying and hatred towards vulnerable individuals. When you say that you have the best interests in mind, you really have the interests of your donors and yourselves. When you try to "protect" students, you are only encouraging them to keep a closed mind in a rapidly changing world, and to respond to anything that they don't understand with violence, contempt, and hatred.
Our school board must listen to its students. We are tired of the discrimination. Children are not slaves to parents. Being around openly queer people won't "convert" you.
I don't even recognize the schools and community I grew up in. I luckily live in an inclusive school district now. If I still lived in Central Bucks my children would certainly be at risk of stigma and harm from these policies. They do not represent the values of the community where my parents and so many friends still live. Please change course and protect our children from discrimination.
Please allow kids to read what will bring them comfort and hope, I assisted in barcoding much of Lenape Library in the 90's and know the value of good books. Please allow the same for the kids of today and tomorrow!
As a licensed psychologist, I am very aware of the negative impact that results from discriminating against LGBTQ+ individuals. These individuals have higher rates of depression and suicide largely because of not being understood and supported. Please do what is in the best interest of the students, and do not be swayed by politics.
You do not represent me and you are ruining the school district. We need to support all children. My tax dollars shouldn't go to support intolerance and the cost to defend resulting civil rights law suits.
I will forever be thankful that you were not in charge while I was in this district. I am appalled at the harm you are causing and the ignorance you are encouraging. You should be ashamed of yourselves for ruining the reputation of what used to be a well respected school district.
Please stop this discriminatory behavior.
If the point is to cause long-term damage CBSD, you're going a fine job.

No words may be given in service of this disgrace prior to compromising one's humanity. The lives of all CBSD students—emphatically including queer lives—must be safeguarded; however, your impolitic determination to engender life-threatening bigotry obliterates this essential promise to these students and indeed to the very state of education today. I urge you to listen to the prevalent and resounding voices of our community. I urge you to heed Decency befitting an institution of learning.
When I was matriculating, CBE was a gold standard of learning. Censoring books is what totalitarian regimes do.
I am a non-binary East grad, class of '02, that protested the anti-LGBT policies by electing not to walk at '02 graduation. As a high school teacher myself I am dismayed by the discrimination rampant in the district, worse than when I was in school twenty years ago.
I'm outraged by these outrageous choices CBSD has chosen to make against the lgbtq+ community. Not only does this affect your kids, but their safety by making them feel unwelcome.
Despite graduating over 10 years ago and moving out of this district and state, I continue to find myself involved and thus woefully disappointed and disgusted with the historical and recent current events within the CBSD school board / district. As a queer person who had the privilege of being able to move away from this hostile, discriminatory, and bigoted district- I know many cannot. I feel compelled to educate and advocate for and with my community against the hate that seeks to silence us. One of their (board and district officials) biggest mistakes is underestimating us.
Both my Sister and I are proud CBSD grads along with all 5 of my kids. I thank God every day that NONE of my grandkids are in the district as it is a shadow of the former powerhouse it once was. Thanks for killing my property value.
The current board is an embarrassment to the Central Bucks area!
CBSD board, for a moment, imagine it is your child who is LGBTQ--born that way- how would you want your child to be treated at school, a place they are required to attend?
I am ashamed of how the school board is treating students in central bucks. I used to be proud to have gone to such a high caliber public school, but not any more. Public health education should be safe for every child, no matter what. Also, banning books? Ignorance is the antithesis of education. CBSD is NOT leading the way- at this rate our schools will be falling behind.
Please stop hurting the students.
I am a teacher. I loved the majority of my teachers at CB West while I was a student, they supported me through a difficult time in my life. I was a lonely, gay teenager with unsupportive parents and my teachers made me feel safe. I would have been thrilled to be their colleague. Not anymore. I will never work in CBSD because I am so disgusted by your behavior, and I will say the same to any of my fellow young teachers who want to know what the district is like.
This recent behavior by our school board members is abhorrent. You should be ashamed of yourselves. I now have a masters degree in Counseling Psychology with a specialization in Social Justice & Advocacy. I can say with confidence that you are doing irreparable harm to your students. THEY are who matter here!! Not stupid political division and angry bigoted parents. DO BETTER!
Y'all should be ashamed of yourselves. School must be a safe place where all students are comfortable to be themselves and are encouraged to learn about difficult topics. Classrooms should foster acceptance for others and encourage students to think critically. Classroom discourse on current social, political, and partisan matters is imperative to the development of well-informed citizens who will yield the next generation of voters. Students must be exposed to a variety of opinions in controlled environments which provide the full historical and social contexts. It is critical to allow teachers to lead conversations that highlight the racial, systemic, and social disparities, as well as allow students to read publications that offer a variety of opinions. Marginalized groups deserve to see themselves represented in text and deserve a support network within their schools. Lastly, Pride flags are not a political sign. A Pride flag in a classroom does nothing to detract from the education students are receiving; a pride flag in the classroom may be the only thing that makes some students feel safe- even if it is only for 45 minutes. A pride flag may be the only reason a student chooses to reach out for help if they are in mental distress. A pride flag might be the only support they have. Did you know that 82% of transgender individuals have considered killing themselves? What about that 40% have actually tried? Students who feel like they belong at school or have peer support experience a statistically significant decrease in suicidal ideations and attempts. These actions and this policy are quite frankly blood on your hands. Do better by your students and teachers.
I'm the daughter of a former board member as well as a former CBSD teacher. Would love for CB to go back to leading the way and being a place all people want to send their kids to...not a district that caters to a small group of people who do not want diversity of students and thoughts in the schools.
Be better.

As an English teacher for over 30 years at CB West, you are the most reprehensible and misguided group to ever sit on the board and the tax payer dollars you have spent could have helped the less fortunate students in our district.
Beyond disappointing!!!
You all make me feel disgusted to be a CBSD alum. CBSD claims to “lead the way.” All you do is ignite hate. Do better.
Every student deserves to have a safe place to learn, and if they can’t be themselves and bring their whole selves to school then they will never be able to perform their best, to learn, to grow.
I graduated 11th in my class and was the scholar-athlete of my class of 1967, I have struggled with my gender identity my entire life, I do have strong opinion on the necessity of living in an open minded and caring community. Suicidal ideation and completion affects 40-50% of LGBTQIA youth and can be greatly reduced by having adults who care in ones' lives. The recent tidal wave of anti-trans legislation is fueled by politicians and others who do not take the time to actually understand what they are talking about. Please do not make decision for political reasons...rather learn more about the issues. Transgender is not a choice, there is good evidence that there is a genetic basis. If you truly care about your students you will take the time to learn about them.
You are being watched by the community and we will not stand for the discrimination. Do better. It’s embarrassing.
Do right by the students, that’s why the board was elected.
I am horrified to see what was once a shining example of a school district turned into a fear mongering, dare I say almost fascist, right wing harbor for those that despise free expression and open learning. It saddens me greatly to see the unnecessary pain and hardship that this school boards policies have laden upon LGBTQ youth. I am almost ashamed to have Central Bucks on my Curriculum vitae.
As an alumna of this district, and a current CB resident, it breaks my heart that my husband and I have decided to move before our newborn child reaches school age. Because of the policies you have put in place, it is clear to us as an interracial family that our son would not be safe in CB if it stays on the current path. Shame on you for using our school district and the lives of our children to push your own biases and ideologies.
It is so disappointing and shocking what the board is attempting to do. No banning of books! Allow students to safely be who they are without judgement, and allow students and teachers to have discussions without fearing retribution.
Stop creating harmful and abusive spaces for our community and the students in CBSD. This is horrendous and by banning all these things you aren’t shaping how kids think—you are directly showing how to hate and how to alienate members in the community.
Raise your level of consciousness, School Board Members.
You have a responsibility do better by your students.
Safe places, and people, save kids’ lives. Please allow your teachers and schools to be those for their students.
Your policies are not only disturbing to see in 2023 but they are also extremely dangerous for the children of the community. I am grateful my daughter currently will go to a different district than CBSD because of the policies put into place, and if we DID live in the district, we would be moving. Do better.
As a librarian, I find book banning deplorable. As a human being, I find the entirety of the aforementioned actions deplorable.
Please keep CBSD a supportive and inclusive district, one that alumni can continue to be proud to say they graduated from.
As an LGBT alum, and as a person who has family attending CB schools, it saddens me that district policies have only gone backwards since the late 90s. Protect students and provide them with a healthy place to learn. All students.
I am truly saddened by the direction that CBSD has gone in. And it has seriously made me consider moving so that my child can attend a more inclusive and safe school district for all students.