

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

June 15, 2022

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education
From: Monifa B. McKnight, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Subject: Transgender Teachers (04-07-2022-01)

Question

During *Public Comments*, Ms. Harris requested any data collected regarding whether families are opting their kids out of courses taught by trans teachers as noted in Ms. Mary Baker's testimony.

Response

After conferring with the Office of Teaching, Learning, and Schools (OTLS), there have been two known cases of parents requesting a change of teacher as a result of the teacher's gender identity. OTLS and the schools consulted with staff in the Student Welfare and Compliance Unit and the issues immediately were resolved. Montgomery County Public Schools has never communicated the practice of requesting a teacher change as a result of gender identity. In general, teacher requests or changes are not encouraged. We are not aware of any other occurrences related to this matter.

If you have any questions about this information, please contact Ms. Ruschelle Reuben, chief of teaching, learning and schools, via email.

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