



Timberlake Christian Schools

Mrs. Doris Thompson

February 24, 2014

Dear Doris,

I am writing regarding your plans for Sunnie for school this fall. Sunnie is a very bright girl, and we care very deeply about her well-being. It seems that Sunnie has had a difficult year at times with some of the struggles that you and I have talked about on the phone. There also have been several occasions when the other students, particularly those who do not know Sunnie personally, have been confused about whether she is a boy or girl, and at times, these occasions have been troubling to Sunnie. I also understand that Sunnie is being counseled professionally regarding her identity and image in order to steer her in a particular direction to handle these identity issues.

You're probably aware that Timberlake Christian Schools is a religious, Bible-believing institution providing education in a distinctly Christian environment, and we believe that our biblical role is to work in conjunction with the home to mold students to be Christlike. On those occasions in which the atmosphere or conduct within a particular home is counter to or in opposition to the biblical lifestyle that the school teaches, the school reserves the right, within its sole discretion, to refuse admission of an applicant or to discontinue enrollment of a student. This includes, but is not necessarily limited to, living in, condoning or supporting sexual immorality; practicing homosexual lifestyle or alternative gender identity; promoting such practices; or otherwise having the inability to support the moral principles of the school. We base this standard on Bible principles as found in Leviticus 20:13a; Romans 1:21-27; Matthew 19:4-6; and I Corinthians 6:9-20.

However, we believe that unless Sunnie as well as her family clearly understand that God has made her female and her dress and behavior need to follow suit with her God-ordained identity, that TCS is not the best place for her future education. It seems that the school's goals and biblical foundations are going to be in contradiction with the direction that Sunnie is heading at this point.

For this reason, we must ask that you not re-enroll Sunnie here at TCS unless you are open to following the biblical standards set forth above. This request does not in any way stem from Sunnie's academic performance or general cooperation with school rules. We would welcome an opportunity to talk with you further regarding this issue if you would like. We love Sunnie and do want the best for her. We would miss her presence here, but we do not want her future years be filled confusion and conflicting input from those who are guiding her.

If you have any questions, or would like to talk further about these issues, please feel free to contact me at [redacted] or a [redacted].

Sincerely,

Becky Bowman
Mrs. Becky Bowman

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