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Our school buildings are already overcrowded, which leads to more negative behaviors within the building (accelerating the school-to-prison pipeline), higher class sizes (which has the single largest negative impact on learning outcomes), and a greater need for more personnel and modular classrooms (necessitating an increased budget). Altering the school allocation policy in favor of moneyed interests isn't "building the tax base", it's deepening the need for public services. We spend more on public services than we take in from the tax base. This is only going to exacerbate this problem, not resolve it. In the past ten years, we've built one high school, zero middle schools, and one elementary school. How many houses have gone up in the past ten years? You know as well as I do that we've allowed far more houses to go up than we've got seats in our schools now. Moving the goalposts will only ensure that the public loses faith in the County Commissioners to protect the citizens of Charles County from aggressive urban sprawl that hurts our kids, our schools, our teachers, and our community. Not only do I urge you not to move these goalposts and allow for

more students in our already overcrowded schools, but if you do, I can guarantee you that my extraordinarily loud, booming voice will be committed to your defeat in your next election. However, if you vote against the change, that voice will be lifted up in praise of your stewardship. Best wishes!

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