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Hi Dana,

We haven't met, but you are a hero in our house! You are an amazing example of integrity and bravery, and it's a shame that you will no longer be at DE. When I first saw the article and your video, I showed them to my kids and asked for feedback. They both separately stated that every single aspect of the video was correct. The impact that you have made has been enormous. You gave people the proof we need to have an open discussion with the school. And you made me believe in the difference one person can make.

Many parents are waiting to hear a rebuttal from the school. Something. Anything. Their silence doesn't instill confidence. I would take [my son] out of school, but he wants to stay. He loves his friends and isn't open to change. [He says] that everyone is angry and follows one line of thought. His nature isn't combative, so he remains silent. My fear is that this ideology has already negatively impacted his confidence and will affect class placements, grades, colleges, and so on. I fear that the system is somewhat designed to hold kids like him back from reaching their potential. I'm struggling to decide what's best for him. I would like to understand the landscape better and assist in making positive changes for the school.

All the best, a current D-E parent