

From: Maria McGivney Arrellaga
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2026 2:21 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>
Cc: Maria McGivney Arrellaga ;; Sarah Coleman
Subject: Comments for April 28 Hearing - CUP SPC-2026-0052A (Girls School)

Heather,

Please include the following statement presented by myself and James Sheih, representing neighbors adjacent to the Girls' School - in reference to CUP - SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Commissioners:

There is an important clarification that needs to be part of the record regarding the above-mentioned CUP request. Much of what is being presented—both in terms of current operations on the ground and in the traffic analysis you are reviewing—reflects conditions where “active traffic management” is occurring. In other words, it assumes a level of coordination, staffing, and behavioral compliance that is not actually required or enforceable under the existing CUP. The neighborhood has also experienced what operations look like without that active management—when the site functions solely under what the CUP actually requires. And in those conditions, the impacts have not just been inconvenient; they have raised real safety concerns. There have been repeated conflicts, including arguments and yelling between parents and between parents and neighbors, as people try to navigate congestion and unclear right-of-way in a residential setting.

That contrast is critical.

Because it shows that the baseline conditions being relied upon are, at least in part, dependent on measures that are outside the scope of the current CUP and not enforceable by the City.

If you want more detail regarding this issue, please contact James Shieh, james@realinternational.com, who lives directly across from the Girls' School on Windsor.

Sincerely,

Maria Arrellaga, 2002 Bremen St.

James Shieh, 2901 Windsor Rd.

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Alice Lucas

Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2026 2:16 PM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>

Subject: Resident opposition to permit request (the Girls School of Austin)

RE: CUP CASE SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Ms. Chaffin and Members of the Review Board,

I am writing to formally oppose the request to increase student enrollment at The Girls School of Austin, located within 500 feet of our home.

The streets surrounding the school—Bremen, Sharon, Horn, Griswold, and McCall—are already experiencing significant strain during daily drop-off and pick-up times. Traffic congestion is not only routine, but disruptive to the point that residents are, at times, unable to access or park in front of our own homes due to the volume of non-resident vehicles.

Beyond inconvenience, this situation raises ongoing safety concerns. Increased traffic, limited visibility, and frequent street congestion create risks for pedestrians, cyclists, and children in the area. These conditions already exist under the current enrollment cap.

Approving an increase of 50 additional students—raising enrollment from 150 to 200—would predictably intensify these issues. There is no indication that the surrounding infrastructure or traffic management measures have been improved to support additional capacity.

The City has a clear obligation to ensure that permit approvals do not compromise public safety or disproportionately burden residential neighborhoods. Based on current conditions, those standards are already under strain. Expanding enrollment without a demonstrated, enforceable plan to address traffic flow, parking overflow, and pedestrian safety would further exacerbate an existing problem.

Additionally, there is a history of limited engagement and insufficient follow-through in addressing neighborhood concerns related to the school's operations. This makes it difficult to have confidence that the impacts of increased enrollment would be effectively managed.

While we recognize the value of educational institutions in our community, growth must be aligned with infrastructure, safety, and accountability. This request, as presented, does not meet those standards.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge the Board to deny the permit request.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mary Alice Lucas
2000 Bremen Street
(512) 470-4060

From: Shawna Hills
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2026 1:38 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>
Cc: Eric Hills
Subject: GSA

Dear Heather,

We are 20yr homeowners at 2806 Windsor Road, and 2804 Windsor Road, and are very concerned about the current expansion project happening at the GSA, including:

1) The traffic and parking on surrounding streets like Domarian, as well as current queuing on McCall creates a traffic flow and safety issue in our neighborhood. For example:

We consistently have near collisions with the vehicles because parents park too close to the corner of Dormarion and Windsor.

We have on one occasion been in an automobile collision with a parent hastily pulling out of the GSA driveway rushing after drop off.

We constantly have to park our second vehicle elsewhere due to parents blocking access to the premium space that is in front of our home.

2) Expansion of the school will exacerbate the already problematic concern mentioned above. Until GSA offers up new alternatives for how they will address our concerns, we oppose the expansion of the school to 200 students.

3) We are open to working with the school in finding solutions, but so far they do not have a very good track record or rapport in addressing these issues with the neighborhood based on past experience and we are looking for the city to help.

We very much appreciate your support and feedback.

Shawna & Eric Hills

Shawna Mari Hills, RID TBAE #9655
MARIMOTO DESIGN LLC
512 578 6088

2806B Windsor Road
Austin Texas 78703

USA

From: Rusty Tally
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2026 1:29 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>
Cc: Mary Tally
Subject: Re: Traffic and Safety Concerns, McCall Road - Opposition to School Expansion

April 28, 2026

City of Austin Planning Commission
Austin, Texas

Re: Traffic and Safety Concerns, McCall Road - Opposition to School Expansion

Dear Planning Commission,

My wife and I reside at 1710 McCall Road at the corner of McCall Road and Griswold and walk these streets every day with our dog, sometimes several times a day.

Our neighborhood has no sidewalks — none
- the street is literally our sidewalk.

Like many of my neighbors, we rely on being able to safely walk through these streets as part of our daily routine. Walking and biking is an important social activity and charm of our historic neighborhood; we see young couples with baby strollers, children walking dogs or biking with friends, and small groups of senior citizens getting their exercise by walking in the streets because that is the only place for us.

Currently our streets feel increasingly unsafe, and the proposed school expansion will only make it worse.

1. Our Streets Are Already Unsafe

As someone who walks McCall, Breman, Horn, and Griswold regularly, I see the chaos firsthand during daily school drop-off and pickup. Cars queue deep into the neighborhood, parking spills unsafely onto residential streets, sometimes even double-parked, and pedestrians like me are left sharing the road with frustrated, distracted drivers who are looking for any gap in traffic. In a neighborhood with no sidewalks, this isn't just an inconvenience — it's a genuine safety hazard. Physical site improvements are needed now to address the queuing and congestion before someone gets hurt.

2. A 33% Increase in Students Will Make It Worse

We oppose the expansion to 200 students with no meaningful site traffic improvements. This translates to a 33% increase in enrollment without first solving the existing problems and to approve this motion would be irresponsible and dangerous to Tarrytown neighbors.

The City should require that meaningful traffic and site improvements are adopted beyond what is currently in their proposed site plan before ANY expansion is allowed to move forward.

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We need the school to genuinely collaborate with residents to develop a plan that addresses the 33% traffic increase proposed in their the expansion.

As a regular walker in this neighborhood, I'd specifically like to see:

- Physical site improvements beyond the small 3 car bump out which they irresponsibly project will manage queuing and congestion on McCall and surrounding streets;
- A traffic and parking plan developed with neighborhood input; and
- City oversight to ensure the school follows through.

When our streets are the only place to walk, they must be safe. I urge the Commission to take our concerns seriously before approving any expansion.

Thank you,

Rusty Tally

From: Mary Herr Tally

Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2026 12:37 PM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Mary Herr Tally

Subject: McCall Road - Opposition to School Expansion

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Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mary H. Tally

Dear Heather,

We are writing to express our concern regarding the conditional use permit request associated with the Girls School of Austin's proposed expansion at 2007 McCall Rd.

We live at 1802 McCall Rd, about a block away, and we experience the existing traffic impacts in our neighborhood firsthand. Daily pickup and drop-off already create significant congestion and safety issues on McCall. We regularly see cars speeding, making U-turns in the middle of the road, and idling in front of driveways. We have also had situations where cars associated with pickup activity have prevented visitors to our home from parking outside our house.

This is not a theoretical concern for us. We are regularly outside with our young boy during these times, and the current traffic conditions already make us uneasy. Our lot slopes downward toward the street, with no fence to separate the yard from the street. Because this is our growing family's primary play area, fast-moving and poorly managed traffic on nearby streets presents a real safety risk. Even as our children get older, the existing conditions would make us very hesitant to let them play freely outside.

This neighborhood is full of children, so this is not just an issue for our household. It affects many families living near the school. For that reason, we believe the current plan would worsen an already problematic traffic and safety situation.

We respect the school's mission and understand its desire to grow. At the same time, we urge the City to carefully consider the impact that additional traffic volume would have on the surrounding neighborhood, particularly on the safety of children and families who live here.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dawson & Louise Lewis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Dawson & Louise Lewis
1802 McCall Rd
Austin, TX

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From: Darcy Gardiner

To: Heather Chaffin <heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov>

Sent: Monday, April 27, 2026 at 09:07:23 AM CDT

Subject: City File No.: SPC-2026-0052A

Heather,

The Girls School of Austin and its neighbors have long been part of the same vibrant West Austin community. WANG supports the Girls School of Austin and its neighbors finding a collaborative resolution, however, the current CUP as submitted does not sufficiently address the traffic queuing issues that neighboring residents are experiencing and we do not support the increase.

The school's current through-traffic and pickup line queuing have created documented safety concerns. These concerns will be compounded by any enrollment increase beyond their existing 150 student CUP cap. A CUP is meant to be a collaborative effort, and we strongly support the school's representatives working together with neighboring residents and WANG to develop a workable, viable solution that addresses the concerns of all parties.

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Darcy Gardiner
(On behalf of W.A.N.G)

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From: Dawson Lewis <

Date: Fri, Mar 27, 2026 at 3:56 PM

Subject: Letter of Concern (SPC-2026-0052A)

To: <heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov>

Cc: Louise Hearn <

Hi Heather,

We would like to submit the attached letter regarding case SPC-2026-0052A for your consideration. If we can provide any additional detail around our concerns, we'd be happy to discuss them with you.

Thank you,
Dawson & Louise Lewis

Dawson Lewis
(512) 695-8441

From: Sarah Gilbreath
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2026 12:09 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Planning commission hearing file submission

I'm sending the below for the planning commission hearing file submission related to the CUP hearing for the Girls School of Austin hearing today. Please let me know if you need any additional information from me. Thank you so much!

I live at 2102 Sharon Lane and my property abuts the current back south west corner of the GSA property and also abuts the lot that will now be GSA property. As such, I am going from 1/2 of my backyard backing GSA to GSA backing my entire property.

I do not support any increase to the GSA student body, specifically such a large increase to 200.

The traffic pattern created by GSA carpool routes significant traffic/parking into the neighborhood, specifically on Sharon Lane. We have noticed a significant uptick in speeding on our narrow residential street at times carpool is occurring. We've attempted to communicate these concerns and suggested possible solutions with GSA but they weren't terribly receptive to making any changes. GSA indicated that the expansion of the physical space is necessary to accommodate an increase to their enrollment. A significant expansion to 200 students from their current headcount is a 25%+ increase and we can expect that to significantly increase traffic and staff that park on the surrounding streets. GSA touts kids coming in from 31 zip codes so it's reasonable to assume that most (realistically all) will be driving.

GSA shared their initial site plan with us and it does not include any expansion of the driveway utilized for carpool and it provided only a handful of additional parking spots for staff.

This is all in addition to the disruption the construction will cause and the decrease in property value I can expect for the removal of trees on the lot behind mine as well as my lot now fully backing a commercial structure versus a residential structure.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Sarah Gilbreath
Subject: Re: The Girls' School of Austin - Weekly Update
Date: March 26, 2026 at 12:59:03 PM CDT
To: "Holden, Erik" <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>

Hi Erik,

I would love to be added to the list as an interested party. I live at 2012 Sharon and my backyard abuts the current footprint of GSA as well as the lot they purchased for their expansion.

Sarah Gilbreath
2102 Sharon Lane, Austin, TX 78703
(512) 750-3025

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From: Jennifer Garcia

Sent: Monday, April 27, 2026 1:28 PM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>; Garcia, Ella <Ella.Garcia@austintexas.gov>

Cc: Jennifer Garcia

Subject: Re: Girls' School of Austin – 2007 McCall Road, Conditional Use Permit, SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Ms. Chaffin, Mr. Holden, and Members of the Planning Commission,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Girls School of Austin's Conditional Use Permit application.

The Girls' School of Austin (GSA) has established itself as a valuable educational institution in the city of Austin. It provides an environment where girls are encouraged to be curious, confident, and engaged learners. The faculty and staff are deeply committed not only to academic growth, but also to nurturing each student's voice and sense of self. It is a unique and important asset to families in our growing city as it is the only single sex educational opportunity for elementary-aged girls and one of only three options for middle school-aged girls.

The proposed expansion represents a natural and necessary step in carrying out the school's mission. As the city of Austin grows and demand for high-quality, mission-driven education continues to increase, expanding the campus will allow the GSA to serve more girls at a critical

stage of their lives - middle school. This growth will not only benefit current and future students but also contribute positively to the broader community by strengthening educational opportunities and supporting local families.

I understand that development projects require careful consideration of their impact. But many communities across the city will have to contend with school closures this fall and, thus, increased enrollment and activity in their neighborhoods. This is a part of living in a growing city and one that requires us to adapt and collaborate to create a city that thrives and serves its people well. I am confident that the GSA will continue to be a responsible neighbor and steward of its environment. It will carry out any changes with attention to community compatibility, safety, and sustainability.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to approve the Conditional Use Permit. Supporting this application is an investment in education, community development, and the future of the girls in our city.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Jennifer R. Garcia

(Parent of current 4th and 7th graders and)

-----Original Message-----

From: Darcy Gardiner

Sent: Monday, April 27, 2026 9:07 AM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>

Subject: City File No.: SPC-2026-0052A

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From: Luwen Huang
Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2026 11:40 AM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>
Subject: OPPOSITION to 2026-022693 SP

Dear Officer Chaffin and Members of the Planning Commission,

As a resident of Bremen Street in the Tarrytown neighborhood, I am writing to formally express my strong opposition to the Girls' School of Austin's application (2026-022693 SP), which seeks to increase student capacity from 150 to 200.

While I respect the educational mission of the school, the proposed expansion represents a 33% increase in enrollment on a campus that is deeply embedded in a quiet residential neighborhood. This is not a modest adjustment; it is a significant intensification of use that will degrade the safety, accessibility, and character of our surrounding streets. My opposition is rooted in the following logical concerns regarding traffic, neighborhood infrastructure, and the underlying necessity of this expansion.

1. Unsustainable Traffic Congestion and Active Traffic Management Failures Adding 50 students to the campus translates to dozens of additional daily vehicle trips during peak morning and afternoon hours. The school's own previous strategic plans explicitly noted that 150 students is the "maximum accommodated by our Tarrytown campus." The campus simply does not have the capability to handle a 33% increase in traffic. Even at the current cap of 150 students, the queueing process frequently spills over, causing bottlenecks on McCall Road and surrounding streets.

2. Illegal Parking and Neighborhood Disruption Because the site is not capable of absorbing the parking and queueing demands of a larger student body, the overflow directly impacts neighbors. We already experience issues with parents utilizing residential streets, such as Bremen Street, for overflow parking, idling, and illegal turnarounds using private driveways. Increasing the student population by a third will worsen illegal parking blocking neighborhood driveways, creating blind spots for pedestrians, and restricting access for emergency vehicles on our narrow streets.

3. Questioning the Necessity of Expansion We must critically question why this expansion is necessary when the school is already thriving at its current size. At 150 students, the school successfully maintains an intimate 8:1 student-to-teacher ratio and an average class size of 18. Pushing the enrollment to 200 threatens not only the residential integrity of Tarrytown but potentially the very small-community dynamic that makes the school desirable in the first place.

If the current enrollment of 150 represents the physical maximum the McCall Road campus can naturally support, then maintaining this cap is the most logical path forward. It allows the school to continue delivering a high-quality education to its current student body while remaining a respectful, manageable neighbor.

I urge the Planning Commission to prioritize the safety and daily infrastructure of the Tarrytown neighborhood by denying the request to increase the enrollment cap. Thank you for your time, service, and consideration of our neighborhood's well-being.

Sincerely,

Luwen Huang

Your Tarrytown Neighbor at 2004 Bremen St

From: Lauren Kanne

Sent: Saturday, April 25, 2026 9:46 AM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>

Subject: Re: Girls School of Austin Rezoning Case

Hi Heather,

Thank you for the prompt reply! I am requesting the postponement to the June 9th date.

Thank you,

Lauren Kanne

512-954-1554

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sara Pitre

Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 8:51 PM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>

Cc: Rebecca Yacono <>;; Robyn Burchfiel >; brian pitre <

Subject: Support for Girls' School of Austin - Conditional Use Permit Application, SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Ms. Chaffin, Mr. Holden, and Members of the Planning Commission;

I am a resident of Tarrytown in Austin and am writing in support of the Girls' School Conditional Use Permit, SPC-2026-0052A.

I live less than a mile from the Girls' School of Austin ("GSA") and have lived in Tarrytown for approximately 10 years. My daughter attends the GSA for middle school (after attending Casis for elementary) and she frequently walks home from school. As a Tarrytown resident, I know that the GSA is an incredible asset for our community.

We also have two teenage boys and have had lots of experience with various schools in Austin. With this perspective, we feel that the GSA offers something rare: a rigorous academic environment that equally prioritizes social and emotional learning—cultivating resilience, empathy, and leadership alongside intellectual growth. These are not extras that are addressed in one off period a week; they are the foundation of the school, helping to develop students who become thoughtful, engaged citizens. We feel incredibly lucky that our daughter is able to attend such a gem of a school and truly wish that it was available to more students. Offering this unique education to an additional 50 students is exactly what the GSA hopes to expand with the use permit they are seeking.

When we started at the GSA we were struck by how much the school emphasized the importance of being considerate of GSAs neighbors, particularly during school pick-up and drop-off. This is the type of place that the GSA is: considerate, conscientious, neighborly, and intentional in everything they do. Expanding enrollment to these few additional families will be no different.

Please support this wonderful neighborhood asset and allow more children to experience this life changing education.

Thank you,

Sara Braun
2904 Clearview Drive
Austin, TX 78703

From: Heather Golm
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 6:25 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Support for Girls' School of Austin - Conditional Use Permit Application, SPC-2026-0052A

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Re: Girls' School of Austin – 2007 McCall Road, Conditional Use Permit, SPC-2026-0052A

I'm writing to share my strong support for the Girls' School of Austin's (GSA) Conditional Use Permit application, including the proposed increase in student capacity from 150 to 200.

As the parent of a 2nd grader at the GSA, I see every day how vital this environment is for my daughter's growth. There is something incredibly special about an all-girls environment—it's a place where girls feel truly free to take risks, speak up, and lead without the social pressures that often hold them back in co-ed settings. I see my daughter building a foundation of confidence and resilience at the GSA that she simply wouldn't get anywhere else.

To me, this permit isn't just about a number—it's a chance for 50 more girls to have the opportunity to be at this great school. We are asking for 50 more spots for Austin girls to grow into thoughtful, capable leaders. And to put it in perspective, we are talking about 50 additional students. Not a stadium. Not a development. Not a highway. Fifty children, in a school that already operates responsibly within this neighborhood.

I know some neighbors have raised concerns about traffic during drop-off and pick-up. While I understand that living near a school brings a certain amount of activity, the GSA is a small, responsible community. We have already made positive changes to help with traffic flow and I know the school is always looking for ways to be even better members of the broader neighborhood community. As parents, we are committed to being as respectful and efficient as possible to minimize the impact on our neighbors.

I urge you to support the GSA's request to grow and open 50 more spots for the daughters of Austin families.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Heather Golm
Parent, 2nd grader

From: Dixie Kimble

Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 4:53 PM

To: Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>; Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>

Subject: Support for Girls' School of Austin - Conditional Use Permit Application, SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Ms. Chaffin, Mr. Holden, and Members of the Planning Commission,

Re: Girls' School of Austin – 2007 McCall Road, Conditional Use Permit, SPC-2026-0052A

While this note may be arriving later in the process, I still felt it was important to share my strong support for the Girls' School of Austin's Conditional Use Permit application, including the proposed increase in enrollment from 150 to 200 students.

The Girls' School of Austin provides a truly distinctive educational experience, one that balances academic excellence with a deep commitment to social and emotional development. The school

is intentionally shaping confident, compassionate, and capable young leaders, which is something our broader community benefits from.

At its core, this request is simply about making space for 50 additional students. It is not a large-scale expansion or disruptive change, but a thoughtful opportunity to extend an already well-functioning and respected program to more families in Austin.

Approving this increase would allow the school to continue its important work while maintaining the character and responsibility it has consistently demonstrated within the neighborhood. I respectfully encourage your support.

Thank you for your consideration.

All the best,
Dixie Kimble

Dixie Kimble
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M: 469.995.1121

From: Samia Broadaway
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 4:01 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>
Cc: Andrew Broadaway
Subject: Support for Girls' School of Austin - Conditional Use Permit Application, SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Ms. Chaffin, Mr. Holden, and Members of the Planning Commission,
We write in strong support of the Girls' School of Austin's Conditional Use Permit application, including the proposed increase in student capacity by 50 students.
The Girls' School of Austin is a treasure. It offers something increasingly rare—a school that challenges girls to develop both classroom skills and the social and emotional skills that create thoughtful, engaged, and empathetic members of the Austin, and greater, community. The proposed increase in student enrollment will allow this school to reach, and teach, more children of Austin families without compromising either the school's mission or its responsible operation in this neighborhood.
We urge you to support this request and grant the Conditional Use Permit application.
Very truly yours,
Samia & Andrew Broadaway

From: Tara Miko

Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 3:45 PM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>

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We first learned about The Girls' School of Austin when we were looking for an environment that prioritized both academic rigor and the emotional confidence of young women. Now that our daughter is in the **5th grade**, we have seen firsthand how the school's mission translates into her daily life.

What I appreciate most about GSA is the **intentionality of the community**. It is a place where girls are encouraged to take risks, and lead without hesitation. The faculty doesn't just teach subjects; they mentor students to be empathetic global citizens.

From our daughter's perspective, her favorite part of GSA is that **community and the bond she has with her classmates**. Seeing her come home excited to share what she learned or telling us about a breakthrough she had during a group activity is a testament to the school's unique atmosphere.

Expanding enrollment extends this proven model to more Austin families without compromising the school's mission or integrity. I urge you to support this request.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tara & Jason Ballentine

5th Grade Parents

From: Neely Michaelis

Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 3:16 PM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>

Subject: Support for Girls' School of Austin - Conditional Use Permit Application, SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Ms. Chaffin, Mr. Holden, and Members of the Planning Commission,
Re: Girls' School of Austin – 2007 McCall Road, Conditional Use Permit, SPC-2026-0052A
I am writing to you all today in strong support of the Girls' School of Austin's Conditional Use Permit application, including the proposed increase in student capacity from 150 to 200.
As a member of the GSA parent community for 10 years, and the Director of Admissions for 6 years, I have personally witnessed the true magic that takes place on this campus. Both of our daughters have attended the Girls' School of Austin since their Kindergarten year; our oldest is now a High School freshman and our youngest is a current GSA student in 7th Grade. While the rigorous academic setting is just the foundation of what is provided, the real value is what happens in addition to their core coursework. GSA also cultivates students' growth through social and emotional learning, future thinking, advocacy, community engagement, and leadership. Our students become thoughtful and engaged citizens who are change makers. Adding 50 students would allow GSA to provide this education to more girls in the Austin area, which will positively impact our community as a whole without compromising our school mission or integrity. Having a campus that is centrally located makes GSA a possibility for families from all over our city, and we love being a part of the west Austin neighborhood with many supportive neighbors.
Thank you for your consideration.
Sincerely,
Neely Michaelis
GSA Parent, and current Director of Admissions at the Girls' School of Austin

From: Camille Osborne
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 3:05 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Support for Girls' School of Austin - Conditional Use Permit Application, SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Members of the Planning Commission,
I am writing in strong support of the Girls' School of Austin's (GSA) Conditional Use Permit application, including the proposed increase in student capacity from 150 to 200.
As someone who first moved to Austin 30 years ago, I have witnessed tremendous change across our city. While growth is inevitable. I have recently been especially disheartened to see a lack of community-mindedness—and, at times, a sense of entitlement—from a small but vocal group of nearby residents opposing this modest and meaningful expansion. This is something I would not expect of Austinites, a community that has long prided itself on being a place that values inclusivity, opportunity, and forward-thinking community investment. Supporting GSA's proposal is aligned with those values.
The Girls' School of Austin offers something truly rare: a rigorous academic environment that equally prioritizes social and emotional learning—cultivating resilience, empathy, and leadership

alongside intellectual growth. These are not secondary qualities; they are foundational to developing thoughtful, engaged citizens and future leaders.

For my family, the school has been far more than an educational institution. As survivors of domestic violence, my daughter and I have benefited more than you can imagine from GSA. From the tuition assistance they've provided us when dealing with financial abuse, to the safety, and sense of belonging the school provides. It has been a place of healing, stability, and genuine happiness for my daughter—something that cannot be overstated. Expanding enrollment means extending that same opportunity to other young women and families who may need it just as much.

It is also important to keep this request in perspective. We are talking about 50 additional students—not a large-scale development, but simply more children gaining access to a supportive educational environment. It is difficult to reasonably argue that such an increase would materially diminish the peaceful enjoyment of nearby properties, particularly in a dense, urban neighborhood where residents (who have many options) have chosen to live.

As a side note, I feel it important to mention that I have also been personally troubled by some of the tactics employed by those opposing the expansion. On multiple occasions, individuals opposed to the expansion are hiding behind cars, trash bins or standing in the middle of the road to video record me and others while peacefully sitting in my car during school pickup. When I politely asked them to stop, I was told they were within their rights because it was a public street. While that may be technically true, the behavior itself feels intentionally intimidating and deeply unsettling. It reflects a lack of reasonableness and civility, and it has made me feel unsafe in a space that should be welcoming and community oriented.

As someone with over 25 years of experience in public service, I believe strongly in fair, consistent decision-making that reflects broader community priorities—not the influence of a small, well-resourced group. The Girls' School of Austin aligns with the city's vision, values, and commitment to education, equity, and community well-being. The school represents kind, diversity and community focused individuals that just want to create a better future for young, strong women.

We should be celebrating and supporting these young girls and the institution that uplifts them—not standing in their way.

I respectfully urge you to approve this request and allow the school to expand its impact for the benefit of more Austin families.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,
Camille Osborne

From: Daniel Willard

Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 2:20 PM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>

Subject: My support for Girls' School of Austin - Conditional Use Permit Application, SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Ms. Chaffin, Mr. Holden, and Members of the Planning Commission,
I write to ask you to support the Girls School of Austin's application for a conditional use permit - SPC-2026-0052A.

The permit would increase GSA student capacity by only 50 students. This will expand a wonderful school's enrollment to more Austin families with minimal impact on the community. Please support this request.

Thank you,
Daniel Willard
Austin, Texas

From: Jennifer M
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 2:01 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Holden, Erik <Erik.Holden@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Girls' School of Austin – 2007 McCall Road, Conditional Use Permit, SPC-2026-0052A

Dear Ms. Chaffin, Mr. Holden, and Members of the Planning Commission,

I am writing this email to support the Girls' School of Austin's Conditional Use Permit application, including the proposed increase in student capacity from 150 to 200.

The Girls' School of Austin offers a community that not only prioritizes education but also social and emotional learning. The GSA students are smart, kind, and civically aware. They give back to their communities. And most importantly, they are actively building the qualities we want to see in future adults, empathy, resilience, integrity, and leadership.

50 additional students in a school that already operates responsibly allows us to bring opportunity, joy, and learning with a proven model to more Austin families. It sends 50 more young women into the world better prepared to lead it. I urge you to support this request.

Thank you for your consideration.
Jennifer Mollo