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**Subject:** Bolton early education vote 2/11

Hello,

We moved to Bolton in 2011 from North Carolina. We chose Bolton because of its great school system, knowing we'd be giving up on conveniences of life that we were used to in NC for a small town. Fast forward to 2013...due to the "strict" age guidelines for Kindergarten, my son was not allowed to attend Kindergarten starting in the 2013 school year. This year, three weeks after school starts my son will be 6 (DOB 9/25), and he's on the wait list (#2) for full time Kindergarten.

I have to say that I'm extremely frustrated. My son is more than ready for Kindergarten and needs the additional stimulation of the Kindergarten curriculum vs. full time daycare that he attends now. He has been in a full time daycare "school" type of environment since he was 6 months old. It makes absolutely no sense that I would pull him from what he is used to and have him attend only 1/2 day of school. He's outgrown what the daycare has to offer and he needs to start school. There seems to have been no consideration in this "lottery" about the age of the children. Some kids who are just turning 5 will be attending full time and my son who will be six is only half time – absurd!

I ask that you support the upcoming vote on Tuesday 2/11 at the school committee meeting for preschool expansion to allow every child access to structured education. I can't wait until May (official budget vote) or June to find a nanny to cover the hours that my son will not be able to attend school due to him being forced into 1/2 day Kindergarten. I need to start the search NOW not only for a Nanny but also for educational activities outside of the 1/2 day Kindergarten classroom.

We appreciate your support. I (Kim) will be in attendance at the meeting on 2/11. I hope to see you there and meet you in person.

Kind Regards,

Kimberly & William Sanger