

August 27, 2019

Mr. Christopher Martino County Executive 1 County Complex Court Prince William, VA 22192

Dear Mr. Martino:

Thank you for our conversation regarding the final preparations for the opening of John D. Jenkins Elementary School. As you know, Prince William County Public Schools and the County Government have had a long and positive experience collaborating to ensure the safe and on-time openings of new schools and school renovations. In fact, during my 15-year tenure, I am proud that together we have successfully and safely opened 24 schools on-time and within-budget.

The safety and security of our students and staff is our highest priority. Please know that at no time did our office intentionally operate in any manner we believed was inconsistent with this value, and we deeply regret any actions that have caused a loss of trust with our team and your team.

We thank you, and your staff, for your offer to have our offices meet this fall to discuss steps that we can take to ensure a smoother process for school construction projects. I have directed our Associate Superintendent for Support Services, Albert Ciarochi, to work with your staff to schedule this meeting.

I remain confident that we can work together to continue our track record of past successes and ensure the ongoing trust between our organizations.

Sincerely,

Steven L. Walts

Superintendent of Schools

DR. STEVEN L. WALTS Superintendent of Schools