

Ross Valley School District  
Board of Trustees  
100 Shaw Drive  
San Anselmo

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To the Trustees of the Ross Valley School District,

We are writing to you from the [San Anselmo Racial Equity Committee](#) regarding your recent vote to evict the [San Anselmo Fairfax Children's Center](#) (FSACC). We know you are aware of the implications the closure of this facility would cause. We also know that you have seen the outpouring of support from the community and its efforts to keep the school open. We see each one of your votes as an injustice in a place that desperately needs your representation and support. From an equitable stance, keeping FSACC where it is located is in the best interest of our community and all the children Ross Valley School District serves. We ask that you reconsider your negotiations with the FSACC.

We have very few programs in the entire county, never mind in our immediate community, that serve and uplift marginalized families both racially and economically. This school is a space in our community where children are not only accepted, but celebrated and provided access to services that other preschools in the community would shy away from. Please take 60 seconds to [watch this video](#) (also as an attachment) of San Anselmo Racial Equity Committee member and FSACC parent, April Hewes, sharing the profound impact that FSACC has had on her family. Care, connection, child wellbeing, equity, and community – we believe this is the environment we all have the responsibility to cultivate in Marin.

Do not let the actions of your board echo the priority of diversity and inclusion in this community. We must all come together to create the supportive, equitable community in which all belong. FSACC should be supported entirely and wholeheartedly by the Ross Valley School District (RVSD) – and we believe that through a focus on community and dialogue this will happen. If RVSD is truly committed to the equity work they claim, then you can see it is detrimental in your mission to keep the families of the SAFCC in our community.

We ask as members of the committee, as parents of Ross Valley School District students, and as neighbors, that you reconsider your negotiations with the San Anselmo Fairfax Children's Center.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

The Town of San Anselmo Racial Equity Committee

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