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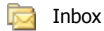
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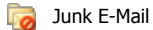
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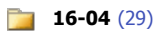
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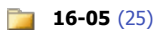
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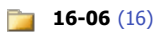
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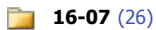
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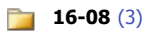
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## Please answer this call to improve our Charlotte Mecklenburg community

Justin Perry [justin.jlperry@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Sunday, August 07, 2016 4:31 PM

**To:** Justin Perry [justin.jlperry@gmail.com]

**Attachments:** image1.JPG (461 KB); image2.JPG (589 KB)

If you are receiving this email, it is because you are someone who I respect as caring, conscientious, and called to be courageous in creating a healthy Charlotte Mecklenburg community. While the total approach will be multifaceted, we are in the middle of one critical point with our current student assignment process. The current patterns of economic and racial isolation in our schools are adversely affecting all of our students while greatly harming the long-term health of this community. Even though I will have 2 children in the upcoming plan, I want to emphasize that the sessions are NOT just for parents. Even if I didn't have children, I would be there and be involved. For that reason, I will ask the same of you. Even if you are new to this, don't obsess over the exact "talking point." Understand simply that in K-12 education, we cannot continue the unsustainable practice of Separate and Unequal and do right by our children and community.

The school board has taken on the task of working to de-concentrate the poverty in our schools while the consultants emphasized at the last meeting the benefit of greater balance on children of all backgrounds including enhanced critical thinking, empathy, and leadership potential. On a whole, the school board wants to do what's "right" and needed for the community, however, it needs folks to show up and be willing to engage productively to keep it moving forward. I am writing to make a reasonable, but significant request of you:

1) Please commit to attend AT LEAST one (more if you can) of these engagement forums and 2) Recruit at least one friend to do the same. If you agree to do this, you can simply reply to me by saying "I will."

Thank you for your time, consideration, and willingness,

Justin Perry