



1 the principal for a list of how many teachers were credentialed at the school. The principal never  
2 gave us that list, and I worry that we have too many teachers at our school without the proper  
3 training to be teaching.

4 6. At Lynwood Middle School we have had at least two different principals in three  
5 years. The temporary nature of leadership at the school causes an incredible amount of chaos for  
6 the students and teachers and each year the situation at the school changes.

7 7. This school year (2001-2002) is the first school year that my son has had books  
8 that he has been able to take home. During the 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 school year he did not  
9 have enough books in his classes to be able to take books home to do his homework, study for  
10 tests, and to read over the material. This is wrong.

11 8. During the 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 school years, I and the other parents  
12 working with me complained often about how dirty, dingy, and disgusting Lynwood Middle  
13 School was. This year when I have gone down to the school it appears cleaner. I want to make  
14 sure that it stays that way, and there does not seem to be a system in place to make sure that the  
15 school remains in clean condition from year to year and principal to principal.

16 9. During the 1999-2000 school year, my son's teacher often left my son and the  
17 other students in the classroom alone with her 16-year-old daughter. Because I was a visible  
18 parent at the school other parents would come to me and tell me that their children had also  
19 complained that the teacher would leave the students alone during the school day. One day I  
20 went to investigate the situation for myself and when I entered the classroom I saw that the  
21 teacher was not there. I complained to the principal and the other 15-plus parents who were  
22 concerned and I also went and spoke to someone at the school district on April 15, 2000. My son  
23 was finally moved out of that class, but the teacher continues to teach at Lynwood Middle  
24 School. I send my son to school to learn, not to be left alone or to be babysat. It is extremely  
25 dangerous to leave a classroom full of children by themselves with a teenager or alone, not to  
26 mention how upsetting it is to know that a teacher cares so little about the education of the  
27 children in her care that she will just leave them alone for portions of the day.

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I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California and the United States that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 23 day of October, 2001 in Lynwood, California.

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