

Press Release



June 26, 2025

Parents Rights within Pekin Public Schools District 108

Moms for Liberty of Tazewell County encourages residents within Pekin Public Schools District 108 to attend the Board of Education Meeting on Monday, June 30 at 6:30 PM at the Pekin Public Schools District 108 office at 501 Washington Street, Pekin, IL 61554.

We intend to address the Board of Education regarding the conduct of L. E. Starke Primary School 1st grade teacher Morgan Belcher at the recent No Kings protest and the Juneteenth Parade.

Specifically, we will ask the board to communicate with parents on two concerns.

- 1. Does the board have a policy that would discipline Morgan Belcher, who suggested the assassination of President Donald J. Trump in a social media post that has apparently since been deleted?
- 2. What is the board's policy allowing parents to demand that Morgan Belcher does not teach their 1st grade student at L. E. Starke Primary School?

While all taxpayers have a right to a response from the board on these two questions, Moms for Liberty of Tazewell County focuses on issues where public schools infringe upon the rights of parents to direct the education of their children. Our mission statement is "Moms for Liberty of Tazewell County is dedicated to the survival of America by unifying, educating and empowering parents to defend their parental rights at all levels of government."

Any casual observer would conclude that Morgan Belcher has far left opinions and, at least as demonstrated by this post, is willing to express hostility by referencing "8647" and is willing to express vulgarity by expressing "BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE LETTERS F AND U."

Parents have rights. They are not required to entrust their children to a person with such views, regardless of Morgan Belcher's 1st Amendment Rights to express such views.

Virg Cihla, Chair, Moms for Liberty of Tazewell County

Encl. Agenda for D108 Board Meeting





