## **ATTENTION MATAWAN-ABERDEEN PARENTS:**

## The Matawan-Aberdeen Board of Education is considering putting your children at risk.

hey want to fire our school's custodians and instead, hire strangers to be around your children. Firing these employees and replacing them with strangers puts your children's safety at risk.

Private companies historically hire workers with little to no experience working in schools or with children. Furthermore, while state law requires anyone who works in schools to be fingerprinted, this process can take up to 90 days to conduct. This process will only reveal criminal records committed in the United States.

Districts can even have people begin working before a background check is complete. This means someone may be employed in our schools and working around your children before discovering that he or she has a record.

We understand the need to explore cost savings options, but refuse to support any measure that does so at the expense of our children. We also firmly believe that a child's safety is priceless, even in these economic times.

Our members know and care about your children. Will for-profit companies feel the same?

Can we really afford to bring strangers in the schools with your children?

## **Keep Our Kids Safe**

Tell the Board of Education to stop this process!

Don't Fire Matawan-Aberdeen Employees.



Matawan Regional Teachers Association
Carl Kosmyna, President

Hi Everyone,

If you haven't already heard, Matawan is planning on getting rid of the custodians and bringing in a private firm. Carl has asked that we hand out flyers during conferences today and tomorrow. I will put 15 – 20 in your mailbox. Let me know how many more you need for tomorrow night. All that you need to do is either hand them to the parent or put them by the sign in sheet and encourage the parents to take one. We do not want to lose our custodians, and we do not want strangers working in our buildings.

Thanks,

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