SOF Construction Task Force Newsletter May 20, 2015

Thank you for your help in advocating for our children at School of the Future.

Thanks to your phone calls, DOE set up a teleconference on Friday, May 15th, with the SOF Construction Task Force and Stacy to discuss our concerns. In addition, the DOE set up a meeting for Monday, May 18th, with Toll Brothers, which is developing the lots adjacent to SOF. Elected officials were excluded from both meetings and the Task Force was excluded from the meeting with Toll Brothers.

Toll Brothers agreed to respond in writing to the Task Force's March 4, 2015, memo to Toll Brothers which requested numerous safeguards for SOF during the three year construction project. Prior to this, Toll Brothers has made no response to SOF's concerns or requests. However, it seems that Toll Brothers will offer very little to mitigate the impact of the demolition (scheduled to begin in September) and construction on SOF.

Follow these links to view the <u>March 4, 2015 memo</u>, the SOF <u>letter to the Department of Buildings</u>, the SOF <u>letter to the Chancellor</u> of the Department of Education, and an <u>FAQ list</u>.

In addition, DOE said that neither DOE nor Toll Brothers has any space available for a temporary relocation of SOF. DOE will not agree to provide an Owner's Representative (someone who will independently monitor the construction) to protect SOF.

We plan to hold an emergency meeting on Thursday, May 28th, at 6:00 PM in the SOF auditorium for all parents.

If you have questions, or are able to contribute your expertise and/or time, please contact us at **SOFTaskForce@gmail.com**.

Who Are the Task Force Members?

All members are parents of children at SOF.

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Thank you for your help. We welcome questions and suggestions. Contact: softaskforce@gmail.com