

School City East Chicago

Dee Etta Wright, Superintendent

October 10, 2020

Cathleen LaPorte Athletes for Charity President New York, NY

Dear Mrs. Laporte,

Athletes for Charity has provided many opportunities for School City of East Chicago students. As you know, we are a STEM-focused district, and your program has greatly enhanced our efforts. Unfortunately, your recent actions have caused turmoil and dissension among my staff and within the community. Staff, parents, and the community have expressed displeasure and utter disgrace with the unhealthy culture you are creating within our district. Staff has also expressed their unwillingness to work with you or to embrace your efforts while you are attempting to erode the culture of our district and attack administration.

Therefore, I am hereby terminating the Memorandum of Understanding with Athletes for Charity according to the terms of the contract. You are no longer an "external partner" with the SCEC. School City of East Chicago staff will no longer communicate with you nor will you have access to any of the students. Please contact me should you need to retrieve any belongings or complete unfinished business. I will also be in to complete any rendered any payments to Athletes for communication with Charity.

Best wishes to you in your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Dee-Etta Wright, Superintendent.

Xc:

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