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October 4, 2018

Douglas M. Kent, M.P.H.  
Administrator  
Florida Department of Health Bay County  
597 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Panama City, FL 32401

Dear Mr. Kent:

The manner in which your department has begun the process of pervasive auditing on our campuses is an intolerable disruption to the provision of both educational and health services in Bay District Schools.

Your department sent four nurses to Merritt Brown Middle School on Monday, October 1, 2018 and those nurses remained on campus from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. before reporting that they were unable to complete the audit they came to do and would need to return for at least one additional day. Everitt Middle School was similarly disrupted on Wednesday, October 3rd from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with five nurses present on their campus who reported that they would need to return for at least one additional day. Additional full-day audits are scheduled to occur at Jinks Middle School tomorrow, October 5, 2018, and at Deane Bozeman School Tuesday, October 9, 2018.

Just today my staff received further notification of seven more schools—Tyndall Elementary School, Springfield Elementary School, Deer Point Elementary School, Lucille Moore Elementary School, Patronis Elementary School, Hutchinson Beach Elementary School and Breakfast Point Academy—being disrupted on October 10, 2018 starting at 7:30 a.m.

This cannot continue. I intend to recommend that the School Board terminate its Memorandum of Understanding with the Florida Department of Health — Bay County pursuant to paragraph III. 2. (i) of that agreement. Should the School Board accept my recommendation, the District will absolutely continue to follow all statutory requirements to ensure the health and safety of the students in Bay County in the absence of an agreement with your department. Additionally, all necessary data will be provided to the county health department.

Effective immediately, the Bay County Health Department's nurses will not be permitted on Bay District Schools campuses for any further site-based monitoring activities. Please ensure that your staff are aware that the audits at Jinks Middle School, Deane Bozeman School, Tyndall Elementary School, Springfield Elementary School, Deer Point Elementary School, Lucille Moore Elementary School, Patronis Elementary School, Hutchinson Beach Elementary School, and Breakfast Point Academy will not occur.

I am also enclosing with this correspondence my final proposal for the 2018–2020 School Health Services Plan. I know that our respective School Health Services Contacts have worked diligently to reach compromises on this Plan but have been unable come to a final consensus. You will note that our final edits contemplate the changes addressed in this correspondence. I have signed the enclosed Plan and I intend to present this draft to the Florida Department of Health as the District's Plan with or without your concurrence no later than the current deadline for submission, which is Monday, October 8, 2018.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bill Husfelt", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Bill Husfelt  
Superintendent of Schools