

Now is the time to eliminate all fees for the busing of elementary school children.

Do I even have to list the reasons why such fees are outrageous? Please introduce an emergency resolution ASAP to the School Committee. I have spent a lot of time talking to residents (not just parents), aldermen and other School Committee members and didn't encounter any support -- except for [School Committee member Jonathan] Yeo -- for continuing this unfair and basically un-American violation of the principle of free public school education.

Will you do this?

People outside of Newton could not believe that our city actually had such fees for elementary school transportation. When I told them that little kids whose local school had been closed and who had to cross busy thoroughfares had to pay these fees they were aghast.

Has the Globe carried a story about this yet?

It's time to do the right thing and end this travesty.

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