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Dear Board Members,

Beacon Light Behavioral Health Systems has been a collaborative partner with the school district and county human services administration for many years. As a result we have been able to offer an extensive continuum of care for children, adolescents and adults within the community. Part of our past collaborations have included engaging in dialogue centered upon assisting the Warren County School District in redefining the manner in which alternative education is provided to its students.

As I am sure you are aware, Beacon Light Behavioral Health Systems has extensive experience in providing alternative education programming for various districts within the region. We have found that establishing separate alternative educational sites to accommodate challenging students has been beneficial to those students' growth and recovery process. In addition it also offers them a "new start" to their education process. Our ability to offer staff trained in working with students with behavioral and mental health issues has enhanced the students' academic successes and increased their ability to continue their education.

Enclosed you will find two basic program descriptions designed to offer the district the opportunity to consider alternatives to the existing alternative education program. Beacon Light Behavioral Health Systems is more than willing to work with the district to develop a program that meets the needs of the community, both programmatically and fiscally. As such, we would appreciate the opportunity to engage in dialogue about how best to collaborate to meet the needs of the students within Warren County.

Thank You,

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