

As part of our 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Writing Units of Study, this young writer enthusiastically wrote an opinion piece and wanted you to see it. I hope you enjoy reading it, as they had pretty strong opinions and tried their best to convey it to you.

If you would like to respond, feel free to email me or send them a letter back to our class (see contact info below and I can share your response with the student.

Thanks for taking the time to "listen" to their opinions. They were trying to be quite persuasive! ☺

- Rebecca Miller

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WE SHOULD HAVE A SPORTS CENTER IN WINDHAM.

WE SHOULD HAVE A SPORTS CENTER IN WINDHAM IT GETS ME MAD THAT WHEN I GET HOME FROM SCHOOL I HAVE TO GET READY RIGHT AWAY OR WE WILL BE LATE. BECAUSE WE HAVE TO GO THREE TIMES A WEEK FOR SOCCER IN GORHAM. WE WILL NOT HAVE TO DRIVE TO GORHAM WHICH IS PRETTY FAR AWAY. A REC CENTER IN WINDHAM WOULD BE CLOSER.

WE NEED A SPORTS CENTER AND NOT ONLY DO YOU HAVE TO PLAY SPORTS BUT YOU CAN GO THERE FOR FUN. ANYONE CAN GO THERE AT ANY TIME. ALL TEAMS CAN USE FOR THEIR PRACTICES AND GAMES. PEOPLE CAN COME WATCH THEIR KIDS PLAY AND CHEER THEM ON TO WIN. THERE CAN BE FOOD AND SNACKS AND CANDY TO EAT. IT WILL MAKE WINDHAM HAPPY YOU CAN GET APPETIZERS THAT ARE YUMMY IN OUR TUMMY. KIDS CAN GET TREATS. "WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A SPORTS CENTER FOR EVERYONE IN WINDHAM? BECAUSE I WOULD.

FROM NOLA BRYANT

## Tony Plante

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**From:** Tony Plante  
**Sent:** Friday, March 03, 2017 4:38 PM  
**To:** 'rmiller@rsu14.org'  
**Subject:** Letter

Mrs. Miller,

Your note and the piece from Nola Bryant were forwarded to me. Please thank Nola for the note, and the passion for recreational facilities in Windham. I will make sure the Council and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee see it. They, along with the parks and recreation director, I, and others who work for the town need to hear from the people we serve about the issues that are important to them. We are working on plans and ideas for parks and other recreational facilities, so this is good information for us to get.

We all want to do what's best for the town. One of the best ways to know is to hear from people in the community. Please let Nola and all those in your class know how important it is to pay attention, get involved, and let decision makers know what they care about and how they want things to be. All of those in your class will become the decision makers of the future, whether as voters or office holders, but all should know that their participation, their voice is important.

Thanks again for sharing the writing from your class.

Sincerely,

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