



March 6th, 2024

WFAE
8801 J.M. Keynes Drive Suite 91
Charlotte, N.C. 28262
Attn: Ann Doss Helms

Subject: Cease and Desist Communication regarding Teaching Achieving Students Academy

Dear Ms. Ann Doss Helms and WFAE,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing on behalf of Teaching Achieving Students Academy, its associates, Jennifer Lewis, Fanisha Locke, and all affiliated parties, in response to recent articles and communications published by WFAE and authored by Ms. Ann Doss Helms. It has come to our attention that these communications have raised concerns and caused distress, prompting us to request a cessation of all forms of communication and contact on the matters outlined below:

We understand that freedom of the press is a fundamental right, and journalists play a vital role in society by providing accurate and unbiased information. However, the report's actions seem to cross the line into activities that are defined as stalking, communicating threats, and phone and internet harassment under North Carolina law. Ms. Helms has spent a substantial amount of time and energy on publishing information, approaching individuals, visiting mailing addresses of the school and numerous other efforts to confirm the validity and location of Teaching Achieving Students Academy. Ms. Helms came to the school located in the University area to confirm the location and was able to see students, staff and a building all of which Ms. Helms has questioned in the past.

Accordingly, we bring your attention to the following statutes:

G.S. 14-277.3A(c) (Stalking): This statute makes it unlawful to engage in a pattern of conduct that would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress or fear for their safety. This includes, but is not limited to, written communication, in-person contact, and internet communication.

G.S. 14-277.1 (Communicating Threats): This statute prohibits individuals from making any threat to inflict bodily harm on another person or that person's family. Such threats can be communicated in writing, electronically, or verbally.

G.S. 14-196 (Phone and Internet Harassment): This statute makes it a crime to use a phone or any electronic communication device to transmit certain content with the intent to annoy, harass, threaten, or terrify another person.

It is imperative that all parties involved, including WFAE and Ms. Ann Doss Helms, refrain from engaging in any activities that may fall within the scope of the aforementioned statutes. We kindly request that you cease all written communication, in-person contact, and internet communication related to Teaching Achieving Students Academy, its associates, and affiliated parties, effective immediately.

We trust that WFAE and Ms. Ann Doss Helms will understand the gravity of this situation and act in accordance with the law. Failure to comply with this request may lead us to pursue all legal remedies available to us to protect our rights and reputation.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and your commitment to comply with our request. If you require any further information, updates, or clarification, please refer to the following sources:

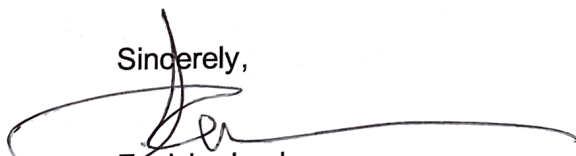
NC Directory of Public Schools - <https://ncadmin.nc.gov/divisions/non-public-education/private-schools/school-directory>

NCSEAA - <https://www.ncseaa.edu/contact-us-2/>

Teaching Achieving Students Academy - TASAcademyedu.org

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We hope for a prompt resolution and a respectful handling of any future discussions related to Teaching Achieving Students Academy.

Sincerely,



Fanisha Locke
Head Mistress