

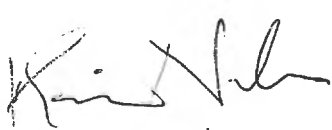
Oct. 22, 2025

RE: Letter of Support: Case CBA-1174-E Holton Arms School

We are enclosing a copy of the email we sent to ozah@montgomerycountymd.gov in support of Holton Arms. Because we are not sure if the email came through with the signatures intact, we are also sending it to your office through the mail.

Thank you for accepting our submission for the record.

Kevin Nealer and Stephanie Nealer


10/22/25

Stephanie Nealer
10/22/25

Exhibit 28 (c)
CBA-1174-E

October 21, 2025

To: Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings

From: Kevin and Stephanie Nealer

RE: Letter of Support: Case CBA-1174-E Holton Arms School

We are submitting this letter in support of Holton Arm's request to amend its special exception.

We have been neighbors of the Holton Arms School for over 23 years. We became part of the Holton family in 2004 when our daughter entered sixth grade at HA. Even after her graduation in 2011, we continue our relationship through financial and consulting support, and through our long-established friendships with HA faculty and staff.

The school plays a vital role in our community and has been a responsible and respectful neighbor for more than 70 years. The presence of a nationally recognized private school strengthens the Bradley Hills area by enhancing property values and encouraging community involvement in school cultural, educational, and athletic events.

Holton wants to increase its student enrollment and the number of children attending its summer camp. We understand some neighbors worry about the potential for increased traffic. We think that if the numbers are increased gradually over several years, as described by Holton leaders at a recent community meeting, it should cause no problems for the surrounding neighborhood. And we believe school administrators and Board members when they say they have no plans to add additional entrances or exits.

Holton has dutifully abided by the existing restrictions placed on it regarding enrollment, traffic, and parking. Traffic through the school's one entrance is well managed by staff, and all parking is accommodated on campus, not on neighboring streets. We have reason to believe Holton will adhere to the new caps being proposed. We also trust Holton administrators to keep the neighborhood informed of steps it is taking to follow an amended special exception.

(Current episodes of traffic congestion on River and Burdette Roads are not caused by Holton Arms but instead by accidents, roadwork, and volume on the Beltway.)

Holton is also asking to be allowed to rent its facilities to carefully vetted outside groups during non-school hours. We heartily endorse this proposal as it will enable other members

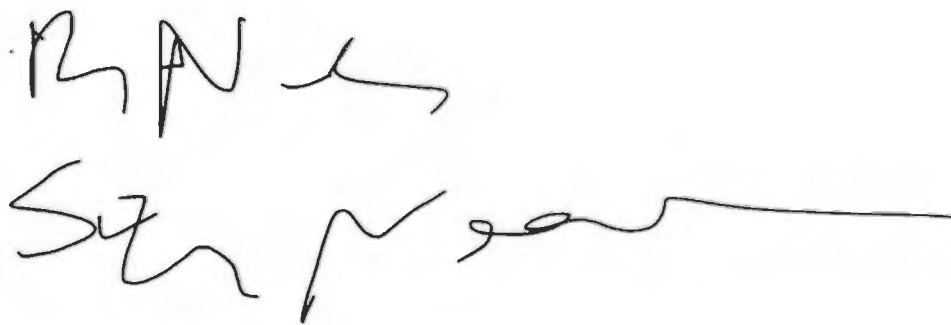
of our wider community to enjoy the beautiful campus and feel more connected to the school. Holton is a dedicated steward of its campus, with gorgeous landscaping and other areas set aside to remain as natural habitat. We would be happy for more neighbors to have the opportunity to use the athletic fields, track or tennis courts, the wooded amphitheater overlooking Booze Creek, and the many outdoor patios and terraces.

Being connected to Holton Arms is an important part of our lives, and we want its connection to the neighborhood to only grow closer and stronger. We trust Holton will handle this relationship and the proposed changes with the utmost care and respect for the school's interests as well as those of the wider community.

We ask that the county approve Holton Arm's request for an amendment to the current special exception.

Thank you,

Kevin Nealer and Stephanie Nealer

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The top signature is for Kevin Nealer, appearing as 'K Nealer' with a stylized flourish. The bottom signature is for Stephanie Nealer, appearing as 'Steph Nealer' with a long, horizontal, wavy line extending to the right.