



SCHOOL BOARD ENGAGEMENT TALKING POINTS

Use these prompts to build your confidence and communicate clearly at public meetings.

 *Tip: Always be respectful, stay within the time limit, and speak as a parent—not a partisan.*



GENERAL TALKING POINTS

- "I'm here today not just as a concerned citizen—but as a parent of a student in this district."
- "Parents are not obstacles—we are partners in education."
- "Transparency is not a threat; it is the foundation of trust between schools and families."
- "Curriculum should educate, not indoctrinate. Our children deserve age-appropriate, morally sound content."
- "It's unacceptable that schools are allowed to hide gender identity changes from parents. We have a right to know and be involved."
- "We're not here to attack anyone—we're here to protect our kids and preserve our rights as parents."



TOPICAL TALKING POINTS BY CONCERN

◆ Sex Education / CSE

- *"I am concerned about sexually explicit content being taught to children under the label of 'comprehensive sex ed.' Parents must be informed and given the option to opt out."*

◆ Gender Identity Policies

- *"Schools should never create 'gender support plans' behind a parent's back. That's not support—it's secrecy."*

◆ Curriculum Transparency

- *"We are asking for full access to classroom materials, assignments, and library books so we can ensure they align with the values we teach at home."*

◆ Parental Rights & Communication

- *"You don't need a policy that hides information from parents—you need a partnership that honors them."*

◆ Faith & Free Speech

- *"Our children should never be shamed or silenced for expressing their faith or standing by their family values."*



SAMPLE SCHOOL BOARD COMMENT SCRIPT (2 MINUTES MAX)

You can personalize this based on your concerns. Feel free to read this directly or use it as a guide.

Good evening, members of the board,

My name is [Your Name], and I'm a parent of a [Grade] student in [School Name or District]. I'm here tonight because I believe parents are not just stakeholders—we are the primary educators and protectors of our children.

I'm deeply concerned about the direction of our school system—particularly when it comes to [insert concern—examples: gender ideology being promoted, sexually explicit material in the curriculum, or the lack of transparency with families].

Our family believes that education should be built on truth, not trend—and that includes respecting the role of parents in guiding our children's development, especially on sensitive issues like identity, morality, and mental health.

We have a right to know what our children are learning. We have a right to opt out of content that contradicts our values. And we certainly have a right to be informed if our child is struggling or changing how they identify at school.

I'm asking this board to prioritize transparency, age-appropriate curriculum, and parent partnership—not policies that push us out of the conversation.

Thank you for your time—and for remembering that parents are not the problem. We are part of the solution.

Sincerely,

[Your Full Name]

