



Académie LaurenHill Academy

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Re. Facial Piercings

To all LHA Senior Parents:

LaurenHill Academy was established over 15 years ago by a group that consisted of administrators, teachers, parents and students. At that time, a set of rules was established concerning the uniform, the appearance and the behaviour. One of the rules clearly stated that facial piercing would NOT be acceptable.

Last year, a group of students signed a petition to change this rule. The group was given the opportunity to present their case to the LHA Governing Board. The student who led the petition presented his case eloquently and was given time and respect to do so. The Governing Board voted to maintain the present policy after listening to the arguments for and against.

This should end the debate.

Facial piercing will not be tolerated. Students who willfully defy the rules of the school will be asked to leave LaurenHill. They have a choice: agree to abide by LaurenHill school rules or go to another school.

A small group of students have placed signs in and around the school asking for students to skip school on Friday afternoon in support of a change to the piercing rule. Be aware that any unjustified absence tomorrow will be severely dealt with.

As a parent, on a yearly basis, you sign a document (the course selection sheet) agreeing to abide by LHA rules. We are asking you to please monitor your child carefully. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Claude Dansereau
Principal



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