

# MCKINNEY

## INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

February 28, 2012

City Council  
City of McKinney  
221 N. Tennessee  
McKinney, TX 75069

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members:

On February 21, 2012 the McKinney I.S.D. Board of Trustees unanimously authorized the superintendent to write a letter voicing school district opposition to approval of the addition of truck scales at the proposed Quick Trip facility to be located at the northeast corner of Wilmeth Road and Highway 75.

MISD's concern regarding a fueling station designed for large trucks and semi-tractor trailers is based on the negative impacts on the transportation of MISD students. As noted in the letter previously submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission, in close proximity to the proposed truck stop, MISD has a high school, a middle school and the transportation facility at which all buses for the District are housed. As well, the master plan for future development of the McKinney North High School site includes a District athletic stadium that will serve multiple high school and seat, at a minimum, 12,000 people.

McKinney North High School and Scott Johnson Middle School have a projected enrollment for 2012-2013 of 2,485 collectively. Following future expansions to the campuses, the student population will rise to 4,250 students. Many of the students attending these two campuses travel through the above noted intersection on a daily basis. Added to the campus traffic, Durham Transportation Services transports an average 10,500 students on a daily basis. At the time of the closing of the Wilmeth overpass, approximately 240 trips were made across the bridge by school buses on home-to-school routes each day.

The District has revised its traffic patterns for bus transportation during the redesign and construction of the intersection of Highway 75 and Wilmeth Road. Our hope was that following this construction the intersection would be less congested to better accommodate safe student transportation in this area. Adding large truck traffic to this intersection would greatly impact this safe transport.

Thank you for considering the negative impact of adding large vehicles entering and exiting the highway for fueling at this location. I am available to answer any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,



J.D. Kennedy, Ed.D  
Superintendent of Schools