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Charlotte City Council
111 E. Lawrence Avenue
Charlotte, MI 48813

There was a recent discussion on the Charlotte, MI Community Facebook page about a Charlotte water tower that was repainted with no connection to Charlotte Public Schools colors or Oriole mascot. Mayor Armitage added some information in the discussion that followed.

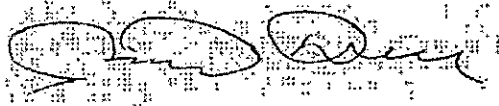
I have long stressed to the Charlotte Public Schools Superintendent and Board of Education that there are two communities here – the community as a whole and the school community. I have encouraged CPS to reach out in an effort to join the two communities for our mutual benefit.

So now I'm encouraging my city to consider doing the same by showing school pride and support for our local school. I don't mean to diminish any efforts to promote the city of Charlotte but I hope everyone would realize that one supporting the other helps both. I'll add that I believe several nearby communities do have water towers painted in their respective school colors with most also including their school mascot – Eaton Rapids, Pottersville, Bellevue, and Grand Ledge – but that this is more than just about a water tower paint job.

I've sent a message using the Citizen Comments on your city website about this topic but have not received any acknowledgement nor have seen it in any communication listing for the city council so I'm trying again with this letter.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,



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