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WE Charity was approached by Halton Catholic District School Board with a series of inquiries. At the heart of the issue is whether funds raised from schools/children within Halton CDSB provided “public support” for “abortion, contraception, sterilization, embryonic stem cell research or euthanasia”.

WE Charity responded that it is not involved in any of these matters, and these questions are “not applicable” to WE Charity. The WE Charity is secular, apolitical, and does not have a mandate for political advocacy.

The above statements remain accurate; however, after gathering further information and context, WE Charity is formally withdrawing from the Halton CDSB list classifying charities on these matters.

The WE Charity believes the voices of those who choose to be in a school system — educators, parents and students, (21,000 of whom have already signed a petition on this issue) – should be respected when choosing the causes and charities they support. WE Charity seeks to turn “students into leaders,” and on this important issue, feels a strong solidarity with student leaders. We believe that self-directed service-learning is an important part of the educational journey of students.

WE Charity is dedicated to serving children and youth, empowering these young leaders through leadership and service opportunities at-home and abroad. We continue to remain focused on our mission.