

(No. One.)

Lexington, Va.

May 20, 1930.

To The Citizens:

We the petitioners, opposing the re-
appointment of [redacted] as
principal and teacher in the Lyburn
Downing Public School, have the follow-
ing reasons for our action:

1. Because of the lack of educational
ability on her part to meet the require-
ment.

2. Because she opposes the existence
of the high school ~~next~~, which is with-
out doubt beyond her capacity.

3. Because she told certain authority
that Negro children did not have the in-
tellectual capacity to learn as white
children, why they took ~~two~~ years to do
the seventh grade and white do it in one
year.

4. Because of the unusual no. of
children failing to pass from the grade
to the high school (20 out of 28) apparently
to defeat feeding the high school.

5. Because her personality is not
exemplary as a copy for the school pupils.

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We the colored citizens of
Lexington⁵⁰ are certifying by
our signatures that [redacted]

[redacted] be removed
from the school system entirely
for the following reasons. 1. She is trying to stifle
& stultify the efforts put forth
by our present principal to
build up the school to its
required standard.

2. She is ~~misinforming~~ ^{misinforming} children
as to their educational poss-
ibilities at such young a
tender age.

3. She has lost her usefulness
both in the community and
certainly in the school,
due to both her age &
training.

4. She has been very objection
as a school principal &
more so as a class room
teacher.

5. She has figured all types of plans known to a semi-illiterate mind to prevent the possibilities of a high school.

6. She has forced other teachers in the school to wedge a similar campaign against the development of a high school by ruthless treatment ~~of~~