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**Student Organization Leader Sues Noblesville Schools for Unconstitutional Discrimination and Bullying**

**Indianapolis, Indiana, December 22nd, 2021** – After teachers and faculty of Noblesville Schools personally antagonized a high school student, related to her student organization, Noblesville Students for Life, Charitable Allies filed a [complaint](https://charitableallies.org/noblesville/) in federal court on Tuesday against Noblesville School District.

The complaint alleges the student group faced discrimination when the school district denied its status as an official student group. Following the denial, teachers for Noblesville School District began posting defamatory statements on social media about the student by name, including referring to the student as “bigoted” and “misogynistic.”

“The school district cannot prohibit a student group simply because school administration does not agree with its policy position on important social issues,” said Zac Kester, CEO & Managing Attorney of Charitable Allies. “Public schools should be eager to support an inclusive environment that showcases a variety of viewpoints. Students shouldn’t have to be afraid of teachers and administrators bullying them for their beliefs.”

The student who attempted to start a pro-life group at her high school stated, “I wanted to start this club to inspire like-minded students to advocate for our most vulnerable, and point students to resources designed to uplift them in their time of need. I knew some people would disagree with me, but I never expected to be attacked online—especially by my teachers.”

“The degree to which adults in authority attempted to intimidate a high school freshman is astonishing,” said Hawkins. “Noblesville High School officials went all out to ensure that a minor girl could not speak in their presence about her love for mothers and their children, born and preborn, and that she would keep quiet at school. Parents in Noblesville must surely be concerned about school officials turning using media to attack a pro-life girl. Is this a pattern of behavior for Noblesville school officials, using the press to attack community members who share a different point of view? Viewpoint discrimination is unconstitutional in Indiana and nationwide.”

**The matter has been filed in the United States District Court Southern District of Indiana, Indianapolis Division.**[**Click here for a link to the case.**](https://charitableallies.org/noblesville/)

[**Link to the Students for Life news release.**](https://studentsforlife.org/2021/12/22/sfla-freshman-student-leader-files-suit-against-noblesville-high-school-district-and-school-leadership-alleging-violations-of-free-speech-rights-intimidation/)

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