# Laredo Independent School District

District Complaint / Student / Parent / Grievance Form

# Name of complainants:

Julio Esteban Ortiz Martin High School ROTC Battalion Commander & Jose Julio Ortiz Parent (former ROTC alumni);

Kayla Gonzalez X.O. ROTC & Jennifer Villareal Parent;

Kayla Elisa Gonzalez S3 ROTC & Jenifer Villareal Guardian;

Jenie Salas ROTC;

Heriberto lopezROTC;

Kristopher Ramirez MHS Football;

Amber Cisneros ROTC;

Carolina Cisneros ROTC;

Anabell Cisneros ROTC & Jessica Cisneros Parent;

Azael Isaac Brito ROTC;

Joseph Antonio Ruiz ROTC & Valentin Ruiz Parent; and

Jonathan Javier Martinez ROTC & Renata Martinez Parent.

# Name of the campus/ dept about which you are complaining about:

Martin High School and the Laredo Independent School District

# Complainants representative:

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#### **Description of Complaint:**

- 1.) In spite of MHS ROTC's continued success and national, state and regional recognitions, the LISD board continues to ignore the needs of the school's ROTC students and as such has not been using our taxes for the needs of *all* MHS & LISD students;
- 2.) Several requests from parents and students to build Obstacle Course at Martin High School Property have been ignored in favor of certain board members' pet projects such as Border Olympics et al;
- 3.) Multiple requests have been made to the Board to build other facilities for the District's Nationally recognized MHS ROTC program (some of which are our nation's future veterans) such as dressing rooms, showers, and locker rooms for the ROTC students (like the one's for the other athletic activities);

- 4.) There is a need to hire two additional teacher aids to support the ROTC personnel for adequate staffing of the extracurricular activities (which the U.S. government pays half of the instructors salaries);
- 5.) Placement of signage that properly honors the MHS ROTC Cadets who won National, State and Regional Competitions (such as the recognitions of other, albeit lesser performing athletic activities);
- 6.) Increase funding for the MHS ROTC program that has Consecutively WON 1<sup>st</sup> place competition against 25, 5A and 6A High School campuses throughout the region.
- 7.) The creation of a decision-making ROTC Committee that reports to the LISD Board and is comprised of a ROTC staff member, ROTC Parent, ROTC Alumni, and a ROTC Cadet for all meetings concerning the ROTC Program, its finances, competitions, and decisions;
- 8.) Construction of a zipline over and around the District swimming pool that integrates into the future obstacle course;
- 9.) Construction of a repelling and mountain climbing tower by the pool to be used as part of the future obstacle course;
- 10.) Request is made herein that all LISD Board Members visit our MHS's current homemade obstacle course built by students and staff (by dumpster diving for supplies);
- 11.) Request is made herein that all Board members to place their contact number and Email on LISD website;
- 12.) Request is made herein that all Board members to openly present a vote indicator so the public can clearly see their vote on all matters;
- 13.) Request is made herein that the Board explain why Christian Middle School, a feeder school for MHS, does not have a football field sports complex;
- 14.) Request is made herein that that Board members disclose and/or recuse themselves from making decisions and or making votes if they have any affiliation or conflict of interest. For example, being members of and/or officers of, Border Olympics and or work for any entity that benefits from both LISD and the Border Olympics to the detriment of the ROTC and its proposed obstacle course; and
- 15.) Request is made herein that the LISD Board provide immediately the ROTC Van that was budgeted and promised so that the MHS ROTC can safely and reliable participate in all of the upcoming competitions.

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