

Dear Champaign Schools,

I LOVE Central and I equally love Edison. I went to Champaign Elementary schools and due to parental work situations, was unable to attend Champaign Middle and High School. Look, when I was a kid, those two schools, in the middle of downtown, close to bus routes, close to the University, that seemed like the coolest places ever. My older brother went to Edison and Central and he had an urban education! That was what I wanted! True, as an adult I am even looking into buying a condo in downtown Champaign and the area is interesting as ever. Do not rob Champaign of its urban school and rob that beautiful, walkable, park-rich, neighborhood from its students!

Thanks guys!

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