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## Elevate Expectations, Empower Educators Petition

**WHEREAS** poor student behaviour is impeding the education and safety of all students;

**WHEREAS** restrictions on teacher professional judgement and undue pressure to award higher grades have eroded credit integrity and allowed for the continual decay of once high educational standards such that we are failing to prepare students for life after high school;

**WHEREAS** a lack of resources has reduced supports necessary to ensure that all students have a fair opportunity to succeed;

We, the undersigned, call upon the Thames Valley District School Board to direct board staff to immediately:

1. Provide a plan to improve student behaviour with a focus on tracking unacceptable behaviour rather than tracking consequences.
2. Remove all restrictions on final assessments that are not imposed by Growing Success.
3. Collaborate with education unions and front-line staff to review the assessment and evaluation policy, ensuring alignment with the Growing Success requirement that states: 'Students must understand there will be consequences for not completing assignments for evaluation or for submitting them late.'(page 5)

We urge the Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) to adopt a motion advocating for the Provincial Government of Ontario to increase funding. This funding should prioritize reducing class sizes, addressing shortages in Educational Assistants and Psychology services, increasing support staff levels, funding field trips, and sustaining departmental budgets.

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