

**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2009 3:27 PM  
**To:** MCC  
**Subject:** Re SJU Maguire Campus: Now is the time to make a difference!

Dear Friends, Dear Neighbors,

We are writing to you today because we (MCC) desperately need your financial support and we need it now! Our pleas for reasonable compromise have fallen on deaf ears. On July 23rd, as neighbors we face a tremendous legal battle in the Special Exception Hearing. Lauren, Betsy and the MCC board are busily preparing the sound engineer, planner, appraisal group, traffic engineer, and attorney to be ready to show negative impact on the neighborhood of the Maguire Campus plan to the zoning hearing board.

The estimate of cost for this testimony from experts and attorney will be \$75-100,000. We are at a crucial juncture where we must sign retainers for and give deposits to the legal team and experts. **We need everybody to make a new, substantial contribution.**

If not enough neighbors contribute to this financial effort, we will need to abandon the effort of providing the zoning hearing board with strong testimony of these experts and pertinent cross examination by our attorney. Our goal is to ensure that the ZHB denies the aspects of SJU's plans which will undeniably affect our quality of life and as a consequence the value of our homes. The installation of the three PA sound systems is one such aspect.

Remember that the plans SJU has now submitted (see [www.merioncommunity.org](http://www.merioncommunity.org) for documents) and for which it is requesting special exception are virtually UNCHANGED from last year. More precisely, SJU now indicates that there will be **3 public address systems** and that the fields will be used "**seven days per week during daylight hours**" (from 7am or 9am to sunset), Spring and Fall. SJU states "We will continue to be open and forthright about our plans for the Maguire Campus" but the University has yet to take into consideration any of the real concerns that have been brought to its attention.

Please send a check made to "Merion Community Coalition" as soon as you possibly can to  
Merion Community Coalition  
PO Box 73  
Merion Station, PA 19066

THE TIME TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IS NOW. MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TODAY! LET US STAND TOGETHER AS A NEIGHBORHOOD AND TO MAKE SURE THIS IS A PLAN WE CAN ALL LIVE WITH!

Thank you so much in advance for your kindness and thank you to those who've made a new contribution recently.

MCC Board