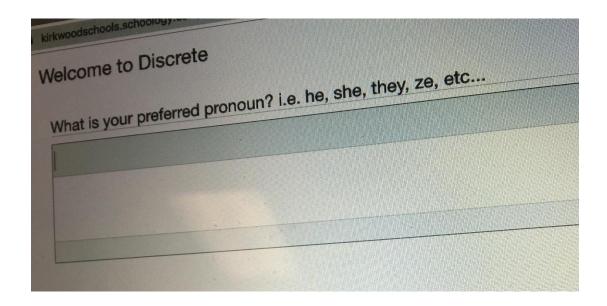


## **Community Voice**

Students Are Asked Their "Preferred Pronouns" in Math Class



My teenager approached me with the above photo from math class and asked me, "What's a ze?" I had not heard of this term and was disappointed that attention during mathematics class was directed to this type of thing.

The KHS course description of this Discrete Mathematics class is as follows: Students enrolled in this course will use rigorous thought and reasoning skills to explore areas of mathematics not traditionally covered in the algebra-precalculus-calculus sequence. Topics include secret codes and encryption, infinity and different levels of infinity, different geometries, topology, chaos and fractals and probability. Discrete mathematics lends itself to a wide variety of "real world" applications. Problems discussed will range from determining if there are two people on earth with the exact same number of hairs on their bodies to devising secret codes to examining the probability of winning the lottery.

Does "areas of mathematics not traditionally covered" mean personal worldviews surrounding gender identity? I expect my child to be challenged academically. It is not my expectation as a parent that our students will be continuously "learning" in school of new pronouns and descriptors that individuals choose for themselves. My child is a girl, and it is actually offensive and uncomfortable for her to be asked by a teacher if she is a girl. Why is that not taken into consideration? And why is KSD imposing worldviews in so many classes and allowing teachers to inflict their personal views on our children?

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