

August 18, 2021

Kurt Liebich, Board Chair Vince Bertram, President and CEO Project Lead The Way

Dear Mr. Liebich and Dr. Bertram:

As medical professionals, we are writing to ask that Project Lead The Way (PLTW) end animal dissection in its Gateway and Biomedical Science programs. We share PLTW's passion to empower and prepare students for careers in medicine and know that compassion for all—including animals—is paramount to effective patient care.

At its core, animal dissection is a crude show-and-tell exercise that is completely irrelevant to medical training. Medical school curricula instill practical skills-based training without using animals, and PLTW should strive to replicate these modern practices. There is simply no justification for having middle and high school students cut into animals.

Now is the time for the company to embrace the technologically superior, safer, less costly, non-animal options that are readily available. Please put an end to animal dissection.

Very truly yours,

[Signatures of 507 medical professionals]

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