

## Lee, Chris

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**From:** Murphy, Michael (Alderman)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2024 4:47 PM  
**To:** Lee, Chris  
**Subject:** Fw: Arizona Nursing College

Good afternoon Chris,

Alderman Murphy was wondering if you could add this letter to Arizona College of Nursing's file.

Thanks!

Sincerely,

**Michael J. Murphy**  
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**From:** Elsa Marks <elsa@matcfastfund.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 20, 2024 12:12 PM  
**To:** Murphy, Michael (Alderman) <mmurph@milwaukee.gov>  
**Subject:** Arizona Nursing College

Good afternoon, my name is Elsa Marks. I am a nursing student at Milwaukee Area Technical College, and I also work at the MATC FAST Fund as the Student Advocacy Director. The issues that have been raised by the public about AZCN was brought to my attention because of my current proximity to nursing education, but also because I was personally a victim of one of these scam colleges without even realizing it until I applied to MATC a year and a half ago.

The college I attended in the past was called Platt College. It was a small institution that existed on the northside of Oklahoma City. When I had applied I was sure to ask about accreditation, and the potential to eventually transfer the math, english, psych, and speech credits should I decide to change careers in the future. When I applied to MATC and sought to have my transcripts from Platt I found that the college no longer existed, and that the service handling my records could not verify accreditation for the credits. I am \$10,000, with a worthless degree, and less FAFSA money to assist me as I do my part to address Wisconsin's Nursing Shortage.

Platt College's pattern of behavior is consistent with other college from Milwaukee's past. Everest, Sanford Brown, ITT Tech, there is a reason these names have been brought up in this conversation around AZCN and it is because this college, and these other examples are all cut from the same cloth. They will come in, take what they can from Milwaukee's would-be nurses, and get out of town. This is not a long standing investment, and I ask that the common council put their foot down on the zoning changes and keep this predatory institution out of our city.

Thank you for reading this

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8-4 Tuesday

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You really should go get that free bus pass from The Student Life Office