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**From:** Haley, Nikki  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 15, 2014 8:44 PM  
**To:** Webb, Beth  
**Cc:** Haltiwanger, Katherine  
**Subject:** Re: bullying post on Facebook

Speak with Becca about how we approach these and let's decide how to proceed.

Sent from my iPad

On May 15, 2014, at 11:15 AM, "Webb, Beth" <[BethWebb@gov.sc.gov](mailto:BethWebb@gov.sc.gov)> wrote:

Governor,

Just wanted to let you know I spoke to Jeannie Smith, who posted on your Facebook page under her husband's name, Edward Smith, about a child, Caity, who was bullied in Charleston at Oakland Elementary. Ms. Smith actually lives in Knoxville, TN and became familiar with Caity's story through Facebook.

Caity's parents have since removed her from the school, but they continue to run a Facebook page in an effort to combat what they see as bullying issues in Charleston County Schools. Her supporters have also started a [change.org](http://change.org) petition to the Charleston County superintendent to request an investigation into bullying at Oakland Elementary and in Charleston County Schools.

I am happy to reach out to Caity's parents and/or to the school principal and school district if you would like. There has actually been some mention of your anti-bullying campaign on the "Come Together for Caity" page.

The Facebook page is below:

<https://www.facebook.com/cometogetherforcaity?fref=ts>

We've not heard directly from Caity's parents, but they seem appreciative of the support they have received on the page and may welcome a call from our office.

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