



LAKOTA EAST HIGH SCHOOL

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Suzanna Davis
Principal

To Whom it May Concern,

Rob Burnside
*Associate Principal
Freshman Campus*

It is my pleasure to strongly recommend Sydney Bailey for a position teaching.

Bill Brinkman
Matt MacFarlane
Dennis Smith
Assistant Principals

I am Nichole Bruce, a math teacher at Lakota East High School. I graduated from Miami University and I've taught mathematics for 15 years, so I can speak for the confidence in Sydney's academic program and the success she already experienced in her pre-service years. Sydney is a friend of the family, so I have had the opportunity to follow her journey to teaching.

Deana Moss
*Assistant Director
of Instruction*

Sydney has demonstrated an innovative mindset and a dedication to meeting students where they are. Sydney explains that she is graduating with her TESOL endorsement because she is "passionate about accommodations," which is the perfect example of her commitment to all students. In her recent student teaching at Mason High School, Sydney provided personalized learning opportunities for her students. Specifically, she planned flipped lessons, station rotations, and gallery walks connecting students to Fahrenheit 451. She engaged students through the use of Flipgrid, Kahoot, Schoology, discussion boards, and Google Forms scavenger hunts. Sydney understands that student engagement and participation is essential in learning and teaching.

Sydney's dedication to her work is obvious as shown through her ability to keep impressive grades while staying involved in many activities. When she was not studying, she spent time volunteering with people with dementia through OMA. She is a member of NCTE-SAM where she conferences with professors, guest speakers, and other students about pedagogy. Sydney has also engaged in philanthropic work through the Girl Scouts of America and Prevent Child Abuse America during her four years at Miami. Succeeding academically while staying involved with these organizations proves Sydney is a well-rounded individual dedicated to improving the lives of others.

Sydney Bailey has clearly demonstrated a passion for learning and teaching. She has my highest recommendation for a teaching position in your district. Please do not hesitate to contact me at bruce.nichole@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Nichole Bruce