

March 29, 2021

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Chris Mayfield and I currently serve as Principal of Lovejoy High School. I am writing this letter of recommendation on behalf of Kara Adler as I have served as her supervisor for the past two years. Her strong instruction, work-ethic, and willingness to grow professionally have been important aspects of the work she has done on our campus.

Here at LHS, Kara has served in many capacities. From teaching courses in Journalism, Newspaper, Broadcast, and Audio Video Production, to taking on the responsibility of supervising and directing the large video boards in our stadium and gym. She has excelled in her performance in each of these areas. Evidence of this can be seen in many of the awards and recognitions that she has earned. Kara led our nationally recognized online newspaper, The Red Ledger, to become a CSPA 2019-2020Gold Crown Winner (one of only nine high schools in the country). The Red Ledger is also only one of six schools in Texas to be recognized as a NSPA 2021 Pacemaker Finalist under her leadership. Kara has also overseen our Lovejoy News Network, and over the course of her two years with the program, we have received more than 25 individual video package awards from National Scholastic Press Association, Texas Association of Journalism Educators, UIL Individual Achievement Awards and Association of Texas Photographer Instructors. Her ability to lead students and programs is outstanding.

Kara's work-ethic has been a large part of her success with students. She embraces the challenge of teaching a new course, or taking on a new project, and has done whatever is necessary to ensure her students are getting the strong instruction they need. She is the kind of teacher who will take on the challenges of our highest need students and will do whatever it takes to make them successful. Her commitment to help kids is incredible. With a teaching load that has included multiple courses each year, she has truly been a "team player" and has worked tirelessly to support all students.

The trait that has impressed me the most is Kara's willingness to grow professionally. As a school district, we have focused professional development opportunities each summer and throughout the school year. Kara has embraced these growth opportunities, as well as seeking many out on her own. She then takes her learning and implements it in her classroom. She is an example for her colleagues of a professional who strives to get better every day in the classroom.

Kara has been, and most certainly will be, successful in whatever she does. In my time working with her I have seen students and colleagues consistently benefit from her presence at our school. Please write or call with questions concerning Kara. I can be reached at <a href="mayfield@lovejoyisd.net">chris mayfield@lovejoyisd.net</a> or 469-742-8719.

Sincerely.

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