

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Aja Cormier, and I am the English Department Chair at Ball High School. I highly recommend Dr. Julia Ramirez for this opportunity.

Dr. Ramirez is one of the hardest working people that I have had the pleasure to work with. In her time at Ball High, she has served as an assistant principal and the director of our BioMedical Engineering and STEM communities. As the director of our BioMed and STEM programs, she has worked with multiple community sponsors to provide opportunities for our students to gain real world experiences in the fields of their choice. She has also written multiple grants for our students to be able to practice with high quality equipment, specifically our synthetic cadaver, Lucy, and our functioning cell culture lab. Because of her work, students can work hands-on with these tools, rather than just reading about them in a textbook or completing a watered-down version of a lab.

Dr. Ramirez is also a fantastic leader. As both an assistant principal and director, she has created a working environment that is collaborative and enjoyable. She works hard to bring people together – sometimes through teambuilding activities, and sometimes just through small tokens of appreciation, like breakfast in the morning or snacks in the afternoon. As a staff, we never feel as though we are working alone; she always makes us feel as though we are all working together for a common goal. I most admire Dr. Ramirez for her ability to build up her staff as leaders. She encourages all of us to be the best teacher possible and pushes us to take the next step in our careers. Personally, she is the reason why I decided to further my education to eventually become a principal, and she has supported me throughout the way in whatever capacity I have needed her to.

I truly could go on and on about how much I admire and respect her, but I believe that her work and accomplishments speak for themselves. Dr. Ramirez would be a great addition to any campus or organization, and I cannot wait to see what the future holds for her.

Sincerely,

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