

March 30, 2026

Dear LPSD School Board and Superintendent Kasie Luke,

I hope this email finds you well and that you are well yourself, as there is a bad stomach bug going around.

I am writing to express my strong support for renewing Miss Kacy Layba's contract. She is one of the best counselors I have ever worked with, and although she was my only school counselor, her impact has been incredibly meaningful.

Miss Kacy has helped many students across the Lake and Peninsula School District achieve their goals—not only current students, but graduates as well. I know this because I am one of the former students she has supported. Whether meeting in person, over Zoom, or through an email, she consistently ensures that students understand the information she provides and feel supported throughout the process.

For example, during a difficult time at a school event, she made a point to check on me. Afterward, she followed up with an email to make sure I was okay and offered to meet over Zoom. We coordinated our schedules and met within the same week. That level of care and dedication made a lasting difference for me. She has helped me in ways that no one else has, and I truly appreciate everything she does.

If her contract is not renewed, the district will be losing an invaluable part of its support system. I strongly believe that Miss Kacy is more than capable of continuing her work, including in a role that extends beyond the region.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and consider my perspective.

Sincerely,
Shaniqua Harried