

March 31, 2026

Dear Lake and Peninsula School Board,

My name is Elisabeth Ludwig and I am writing to express my support for continuing Kacy Lou Leyba's remote Student Services Coordinator/School Counselor role with Lake and Peninsula School District.

I have worked directly with Kacy Lou for 2 years now. Never in that time have I felt like distance has been an issue in her ability to do her job. Kacy Lou is committed to our students. She has proven that distance doesn't impede her ability to build connections and make meaningful impact on our students. If you ask students at any site, they will tell you they know Miss Leyba.

Kacy Lou has proven that she will make herself available anytime she is needed and is willing to pack up and be away from home for weeks at a time, to provide for our students. Not approving Kacy Lou's contract is a mistake that will ultimately harm our students.

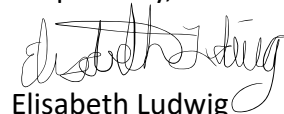
Many of our students seek stability and connection. Kacy Lou has given that to them. By not approving her contract, you are asking those students to start over, let their guard down, and trust someone else. Kacy Lou has done the work to prove to these students that she will support them. They trust her. Please don't take that support and stability away from them.

Kacy Lou has also been a great support to me. I am still learning my role and how to best handle the situations that arise in this job. Kacy Lou has made me feel heard, and supported. She has been a sounding board and a guiding presence while I figure this job out. Without her, I would not be as effective or confident as a practitioner. If Kacy Lou can provide that to a coworker, imagine how she is supporting our students.

Again, I ask the school board to approve Kacy Lou Leyba's contract for her remote Student Services/School Counselor role with Lake and Peninsula School District.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,



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