



ARGOSY UNIVERSITY

Letter of Recommendation

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NMSA Elections Committee
4151 Executive Parkway, Suite 300
Westerville, OH 43081

Dear Elections Committee:

I am writing this letter of recommendation for Dr. Sharon Riley Ordu, candidate for the position of Trustee to Represent Diverse Cultures on the National Middle School Association's Board of Trustees.

I have always known Sharon to be an advocate for middle level education. I had the opportunity to meet her several years ago, while working as a consultant in the Atlanta Public Schools. I was teaching a class: Nature and Needs of the Middle Level Learner. Sharon and I engaged in conversations about her passion in this area once she knew I was teaching this class. At the time, she was coordinating the Middle School Reform Initiative for the Atlanta Public Schools.

Ironically, we met again years later as colleagues working in the graduate school of education at Argosy University, Atlanta. I have found Sharon to be a professional who takes pride in her work and all that she does. I am currently her immediate supervisor and quickly recognized the skills and talent she brings to our department from her experience in K-12 and beyond. She is a member of my leadership team. I highly recommend that she serve another term on the NMSA Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

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