

COOK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 104

James C. Wrenn Administrative Center

60th Street & 74th Avenue

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To Whom It May Concern:

It is a pleasure to write this letter of reference for Sara Kraft. Sara and I worked as colleagues for three years within West Bloomfield Public Schools. We worked together and collaborated on projects and school activities. I have come to respect Sara as a person of creative talent, enthusiasm and dedication. She has been a role model and teacher to many of the other social workers on staff.

One of Sara's strengths is her ability to build relationships with her students. She finds the qualities in each student that makes him/her unique and builds on that. The result is a school of eager, cooperative students. Parents and students alike trust Sara and know that she is on their team.

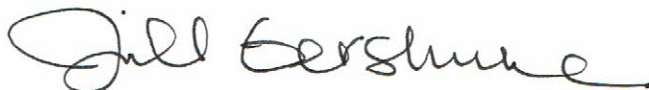
Sara is not afraid to try new ideas. In 1991, Sara brought an innovative project to the district that focused on teaching students about people who have disabilities. Sara planned its implementation and showed strong organizational skills in doing so. The following year, two additional elementary schools in West Bloomfield incorporated the program into their curriculum. Sara was the forerunner and was helpful and encouraging with her colleagues.

Sara is a well respected member of the West Bloomfield staff. She volunteers her time to participate in school wide committees and is a supportive staff member. She frequently goes beyond the requirements of her position to assist students with whom she works.

I am confident that her outstanding abilities and her calm, reassuring approach to challenges will enable Sara to be successful in any position for which she applies.

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me at 773-252-9516.

Sincerely,



Jill Gershune, LSW

GRAVES (K-5)
60th St. & 74th Ave.
Summit
458-7260

HERITAGE MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)
60th St. & 74th Ave.
Summit
458-7590

WALKER (K-5)
7735 W. 66th Place
Bedford Park
458-7150

WALSH (K-5)
5640 S. 75th Ave.
Summit
458-7165

WHARTON (PreK - 5)
7555 W. 64th St.
Summit
458-0640