Crosby-Ironton School District 182



Learning through relationships

February 3, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

I highly recommend Lisa Rydberg for the position she is applying for. As a Literacy and Instructional Coach for the Crosby-Ironton School District, I have had the pleasure of working with Lisa Rydberg for the last four years. She consistently demonstrates strong leadership skills in all educational areas. This, combined with her experience, has made Lisa an incredible asset to our school district.

Lisa is currently our District and Assessment Coordinator as well as my mentor. She assisted with the creation of my job description, and helped develop and establish my role as an instructional coach, a position new to Crosby-Ironton. She offered ideas for partnering with teachers enabling our students to become more successful. She helped promote an atmosphere of cooperation and rapport between the teaching staff and me. Lisa and I also conduct classroom walk-throughs together and collaborate with teachers to set goals and offer support to meet those goals.

Lisa Rydberg has several leadership duties within our district. Lisa leads the researching and piloting of curriculum for the entire district. Lisa is diligent in pursuing a meaningful and standard-aligned curriculum. Lisa is also the leader of the Crosby-Ironton Data Leadership Team. This position includes analysis of the district's data, conducting meetings and helping to determine the professional development needed. Often, Lisa is chosen to present the professional development learning to our PreK-12th grade staff. Lisa demonstrates an outstanding knowledge and grasp of best practices, research, educational policies, and funding.

Lisa is our "go to" staff member for answers when classroom teachers, specialists, special education teachers, and administration have questions. Lisa will be greatly missed by our entire school district, but excited for her as her career grows.

Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions.

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