

# Pleasantdale School District 107

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Mr. John Glimco, Principal

To: Dr. Dave Palzet  
From: John A Glimco  
RE: 2016-17 Hiring Recommendations  
Reading Specialist/RtI  
Date: June 21, 2016

I would like to recommend Lucy Killian for the Reading Specialist/RtI Coordinator for the 2016-17 School Year.

Lucy comes to us with deep expertise in Reading Instruction and Support at the Middle School level. She has assisted in the development and support of Tiered Reading Interventions at her schools, providing both professional development to classroom instructors and direct services to students. Additionally, Lucy served as a classroom instructor at the Middle School level for nine years. Most recently, she additionally taught at the college level, preparing future educators for Reading Instruction.

Lucy's references were quick to praise her many gifts and talents. They shared that Lucy has a great and infectious passion for reading. As an instructor, they noted her patience, enthusiasm, and ability to connect with her students. Among her many strengths noted, they listed her attention to detail, organization, and communication skills.

The interviewing team was impressed by her delivery, her deep knowledge of reading interventions and supports, and her deep background. Lucy quickly connected with the team and appears to be an outstanding addition to the Pleasantdale staff.

Lucy was one of 18 candidates considered for the position. Five other candidates were invited for on-site interviews for the position.

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## Mission

*Ensure that each student is a passionate learner empowered with the Academic and social skills to responsibly choose and excel in life pursuits.*