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Flagler County School Board 1769 East Moody Blvd., Bldg. #2 Bunnell, FL 32110

Re: Letter of Recommendation for Mrs. Colleen Conklin, EdD

Dear Flagler County School Board Members,

As you know, Colleen Conklin has been a member of this board for the last 20 years. During this time she has worked tirelessly to understand and address the issues that affect our school system while at the same time raising two boys of her own, holding down a job, and going to school in which she just recently earned her Doctor of Education Degree.

Colleen understands how important it is to work with the business community to help bridge the gap between being a student and becoming a productive member of our community. She has supported the Flagler Technical Institute in creating programs that do just that - giving our students the opportunity to have additional job specific training and opening up job opportunities right here in Flagler County for them.

As I am a parent of a student in the ESE program, I know that Colleen has been a strong supporter of our exceptional students. Seeing her compassion with my son and understanding his needs has shown me what kind of person she is...someone who cares!

In looking for a new School Superintendent, I hope that one trait in your selection stands at the top. Finding the right person that cares to make our schools the best they can be. Colleen Conklin knows better than anyone with her years of service how our school system works and would be able to hit the ground running if allowed the chance.

I have personally known Colleen for over 13 years. Our kids have played baseball together. Our families loved camping together. She is a supporter and champion of Flagler County and all of our kids. She would work hard and serve us proudly. She deserves the opportunity to be our next Flagler County Schools Superintendent.

Respectfully,

Scott Sowers, President S.E. Cline Construction, Inc.