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OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Joy Hofmeister

DATE: August 25, 2016

SUBJECT: Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarship

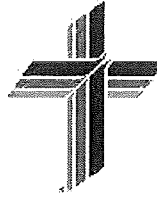
The First Lutheran Church & School requests approval to participate in the Lindsey Nicole Henry (LNH) Scholarship for Students with Disabilities program. First Lutheran Church & School is a state and nationally accredited private school since 2004. It was re-accredited this year by the Lutheran School Accreditation Commission, an Oklahoma approved accrediting agency.

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Oklahoma State Board of Education:

Concerning: Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarships

First Lutheran School is interested in becoming eligible to participate in educating a student with disabilities and receiving scholarship assistance.

First Lutheran School has been established since December 31, 1953. Our school teaches Kindergarten to Eighth Grade students with all teachers holding Bachelor Degrees in Education and several with Master Degrees. We have been State and Nationally Accredited since 2004 and were just State re-accredited this year by the Oklahoma approved accrediting agency of the Lutheran School Accreditation Commission. First Lutheran maintains best practices and state and local health and safety laws and codes. We have an antidiscrimination and disciplinary procedure policies that are published, incorporated, and followed. We work closely with the parents/legal guardians to determine best services for meeting the educational needs of the students.

We maintain 15 to 20 students in our Kindergarten and First grade program, 18 to 24 in in our Second to Fifth grade program, and 20 to 28 in our Sixth thru Eighth grade Middle School classrooms. We also have three aides that are assigned to float among three classes each daily. We have hired individuals who come to our campus twice a week for Speech and also for Special Services for students in Kindergarten to Fifth grade. We do STARR Reading and Math computer tests in our First to Eighth program three times a year to monitor growth and we use Iowa Test of Basic Skills in Second to Eighth grade to compare our students Nationally. We also have a free tutoring program after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays for students in Second to Eighth grade which is provided by the Parent-Teacher League and supervised by our teachers.

Thank you for considering us as recipients of the Lindsey Nicole Henry funding for students.

David Birnbaum

Principal—David Birnbaum

Growing up, Reaching Out, and Walking together with Jesus at First Lutheran Church & School.

