

August 15, 2012

TO: Quality Schools Grant Application Review Committee

FROM: Kathy Umbaugh, Former Board Member for Gallatin Gateway School

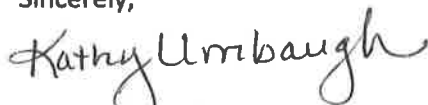
RE: Letter of Support for Energy Efficiency Upgrade for Gallatin Gateway School

This letter is being written in support of Gallatin Gateway School applying for the Energy Efficiency Upgrade grant. I served on the School Board at Gallatin Gateway School for seven and one half years. During my terms on the Board as well in the years following, I watched our superintendent/principal, Dr. Kim DeBruycker, and the staff make this school the best it could be with the limited resources available to them. The goal has been to make this a safe environment that promotes learning while spending the limited funds wisely and making budget decisions that would have the greatest impact where needs were the greatest.

This grant would enable the school to address areas of great concern relating to safety and items that could be updated providing more efficient use of energy. This grant would be a tremendous aide in affording safety and energy efficiency concerns.

I appreciate this grant being offered and am grateful for the opportunity to be considered for funds afforded by the Montana Department of Commerce for improving safety and educational environments for our students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathy Umbaugh". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Kathy Umbaugh

Former Member of Board of Trustees