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Ms. Misty Kimbrough
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Dear Ms. Kimbrough,

I am writing to you with interest in the Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarship. Good Shepherd has, for many years, served students with special educational needs (IEPs, developmentally delayed, autistic, etc.) and any help concerning tuitions costs would certainly help the parents who enroll in our school.

Good Shepherd Lutheran School is accredited by National Lutheran School Accreditation (NLSA), a fully-recognized member of the Oklahoma Private School Accreditation Commission (OPSAC). Our mission is to provide a quality education in a Christian setting for all students. We currently serve pupils in levels 3-year-old preschool through 8th grade. The benefits for all students, but especially those with special needs, include the following:

- Classrooms average 16-18 students per teacher.
- All teachers are degreed and state certified.
- All classroom teachers have at least 15 years of successful teaching experience.
- Curriculum is personalized to meet the individual needs of students.
- IEP requirements become the bases for special needs students.
- Students who show signs of possible learning problems are first screened by our licensed evaluator, Mrs. Wanda Shurow, with referral to Mid-Del public schools if necessary.

Good Shepherd has been blessed with a history of success in working with special needs pupils as well as a wonderful working relationship with Mid-Del Public Schools.

While our tuition rates are competitive, parents with special needs children often find it challenging to pay for private or Christian school. Therefore, I am requesting consideration of Good Shepherd Lutheran School's recognition by the Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarship fund. If you have further questions, please call me at (405) 732-0070.

Thank you,

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