

December 15, 2010

To whom it may concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write on behalf of Ms. Katherine Lorey. I was a student of Ms. Lorey's for just over three years and have had the great privilege of working closely with her in several classes and on projects for the school newspaper, *The Drifter*.

When she became the new adviser of *The Drifter* four years ago, Ms. Lorey truly transformed the paper into an admirable school publication. She re-organized the structure of the advanced journalism class and actively helped students on the staff to re-design and create a completely new paper. She also took a youthful, fresh approach to the class and kept classroom morale high, bringing forth the students' passion for their work.

It is Ms. Lorey who helped me realize that Journalism is my passion. She, unlike others, recognized my talent and love for journalism right away and encouraged me to join the class. I was a young freshman stumbling into her classroom with a rough copy of an article I had just written 'for fun,' and, because of her keen sense of perception, she could tell that I would someday do great work. Since then, and with Ms. Lorey by my side, I have become the editor-in-chief of *The Drifter*, gained the confidence needed to effectively lead our class and present my peers with an appealing newspaper, and she has given me the skills needed to continue on to college-level journalism and photojournalism programs. Ms. Lorey was the spark that started my journalism career, and I attribute my success to her. I would not be the same if I had not known Ms. Lorey.

Ms. Lorey has always had the ability to effectively communicate with all of her students and relates to them unlike many rather unexciting teachers do. She keeps her lessons interesting and advantageously conveys her knowledge to each of her students. I do not know of anyone who spends so much time in the classroom, and at home, preparing and perfecting their lesson plans for the next week, as Ms. Lorey always has.

Ms. Lorey is also an extremely hard worker, and very technology-savvy, having just completed Master's classes for Technology. She utilizes the skills she has learned there and incorporates them into her classroom, teaching her students the importance of versatility and the varying skills needed to work in today's world. Her students, in a few years, will without a doubt be successful, eager young adults, and, because of the truly valuable lessons they were taught by Ms. Lorey, will always have an advantage over others who have not been so fortunate to have taken her classes.

Ms. Katherine Lorey is a very respectful and responsible individual, and I recommend her without reservation. She will undoubtedly represent your institution in the finest manner and is certainly deserving of your consideration. If you have any questions or if I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number listed below. I, along with Ms. Lorey's co-workers and peers, think of Ms. Lorey in the highest regard and would be honored to help in any way.

Sincerely,



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Dear Miss Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. Thank you
for all the extra time that you have spent
with me to help me stride.

Sincerely,

Lexi Vanden

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. Journalism

was my favorite class, I
learned so much and had
a lot of fun. Thank You
for teaching journalism!

Sincerely,

Brittany

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me.

Thank you for being a very nice and
intelligent teacher for your students.

Sincerely,

Kevin Underwood

Dear Ms. Lorey,

Hm, I'm trying to find the words
to thank you for all you've done
for me. I can't. You are such an
amazing person and teacher, I wouldn't
know where to start. I know for
a fact that I would not be the
same person I am today if it was
not for you. I'm pretty sure (all the
way sure, actually) that no one will

Dear Mrs Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. _____

You are a very good teacher,
not only that but a great friend.
you are fun to talk to and always
have good advice

Sincerely,

Keith M. [unclear]

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. I am

very grateful for you teaching me how to
write real good. I luv it right now.
Haha im just kidding but I hope
I get you next year.

Sincerely,

Sam [unclear]

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. as being
my friend and as being
the best teacher ever.

Sincerely,

Jordyn Newman

Dear Miss Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. You
made my 2nd semester a
really amazing one. I will
hopefully have you again sooner
or later. ~~Thank~~ you times
many.

Sincerely,

Emily Biblick

Miss Lorey,

This is for you → My mom brought
them for me at lunch. You did a
great job this year! I'm proud of you,
and I hope your coming years will
be as good as the first!

-Amy Depta

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. You've
helped me a lot this semester
when I've been absent or
having a bad day. I really
appreciate that you always open
for questions even through
email.

Sincerely,

Steve Hannah

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. _____

Thank you for everything you
have done for our class through-
out the past 4 years. We could
not do it with out you!

Sincerely,

Reichel Piaschi

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. I miss
you so much, and I wish I could
do journalism next year. You
are my favorite teacher in the
history of the universe, and ~~the~~
you are my role model for my
teaching career. Thank you!!!

Sincerely,

Kersten Clays

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. It's so

great that I have the chance to
be in your class for the second
time. The only thing I felt for the
first time is that you are so kind.
But for the second time, I feel
that your class is much more interesting!
Thank you for
your help with
my English! :) ~

Sincerely,

F. R. R.

Dear Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. you

make class fun.

Sincerely,

Sarah Woodfin

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. You have worked so hard for me this year and helped me in so many ways. I genuinely appreciate the opportunities you have worked to present to me. You are an amazing teacher and any student is lucky to have ^{you}.

Sincerely,

Lauren Oles

Dear Ms. Lorey,

"I appreciate all that you do for me." English has always been a class that I can express my true feelings through all that I do. Thank you for being open and creative to allow me to be myself. I hope to have you in further classes as I continue to be creative in writing/art.


Sincerely,

Brittney Eyerly

Dear Mrs. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. Thank for being such a great teacher this year! I hope I get you next year.

Sincerely,

 Tyler Whitman

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. I really love your class. It's fun and exciting and I learn a lot!

Sincerely,

Madi McLean

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. You are the greatest teacher in the whole school and your class is the best ever. I am glad that I have your class this semester.

Sincerely,

Lauren Oles

Dear Ms. Lorey,

I appreciate all that you do for me. You teach things well and make it easy to understand. You are funny and a great person.

Sincerely,

mckenzie Oles

Dear Miss Lorey,
 We will miss you so much &
 Thank you for making English
 class fun. You are the reason
 I love reading! I am so sad
 that you are leaving.

Wish you the best!
-Zara Alvi

Dear Ms. Lorey,

You are the best teacher on the
 planet, not even kidding. I hope
 you will have an amazing future
 one day along with Mr. Campbell
 as well as your baby like was
 almost named Cat! - Btw, Charlie
 with him alot. You are THE
 BEST!

- Barbara Rueda ☺

Dear Ms. Lorey,
 We have had such great
 memories with you and
 you were the BEST
 teacher ever. Thank You
 sooo much for everything
 you have done and how
 nice and cool you were.
 We will miss you so
 much and I hope baby
 Charlie will one day know
 about us I hope Mr. Campbell
 for you and the best
 From, Celina

Dear Miss Lorey,
 we will all miss you
 so much, you were my
 favorite teacher and
 you sh-ll be the reason I
 love English and reading &
 you are leaving.
 I am so sad
-Noya Zidan

Dear Ms. Lorey,
 You are such an amazing
 teacher. Thank you from
 the bottom of my heart.
 You are the greatest
 teacher I have ever had
 and you are probably
 the only teacher I love.
 -Ava

Dear Ms. Lorey,
 I will always
 remember you and
 your English class.
 Thank you for
 being an amazing
 teacher and
 friend.

(Reread the letter
 when you remember me.)
 -Sabina



Dear Ms. Lorey,

Thank you. Thank you for every single moment we have spent together, thank you for the unforgettable memories, and thank you for helping me figure out who I am. Even though I was only your student for a year, I have learned things that will stay with me for a lifetime. I didn't learn how to find the themes in a story. I learned the story itself. I've learned that stories can be whimsical tales of pure joy, yet have a heartbreaking ending. I've learned that a story will not always make you happy. It can make you elated. Overjoyed. It can change who you are completely. But, one spontaneous page, it will end. You are left with the sorrow, woes, and emotion of an unhappy ending. As you reminisce about it in greater thought, you realize that it left you with more hope than ever. I hope that the story will, one day, continue. A sliver of hope that maybe, the characters might meet again, and the plot will continue. And even though stories are fictional thoughts of someone's imagination, you helped me learn how real a story can really be.

Whatever new teacher lies in that classroom, I will always remember you. I will always remember the exact desk I sat at, the view outside the window, and the depressing books that lied inside the bookcase. I will remember the giant L stuck on the front of your desk, I will remember the easily breakable plastic chairs that were scattered throughout the class, and I will remember the times where you sat in your chair. The one that wasn't as easy to break. But after you leave, that chair will always appear broken to me. It would be broken because it would miss a very important part. You.

The feeling that I have right now is indescribable. Even after searching my seemingly endless vocabulary, I still cannot put it into words. I feel as if a part of me is going away. And I know that it's a small world. But you helped me create the biggest piece of me that I possess. The part of me that will jump straight into the future being a writer. And as time goes by faster than I would ever want it to, I will always remember Ms. Lorey's 7th Grade English Class, and Mr. Campbell being the most amazing substitute I have ever had.

The world corrupts us in a plethora of ways. Just when we think we are strong, the world throws a swing at us to test our strength. It doubts us. It presents to us an uncomfortable fate in exchange for the strength we love so fondly. It drowns us in problems, emotions, and fear. Because, well, fate can never be satisfied. It remains to be a perfectionist. One to make sure nobodies' lives will ever be perfect. Things happen. Events take place. People move away. And it's something that we dread. Yet, it's something that deserves a different perception. If the world doubts you, it means your life does not possess a single flaw. Because, if it did, fate would be satisfied.

Ms. Lorey, I wish you and your family nothing but the best. I hope you live the great life that you deserve, and I hope your family blossoms with luck and joy. You moving away is heartbreaking, yet, it's for the best. I know that things will get better. I don't just hope that, but I know it. I know it because of the endless love you show to your family. Taking care of your little boy (after much debate on his name), and being a super-mom. You set the best example for your child, and even though he can't read yet, make sure to show this to him when he does. I know that, whenever the plot of your story gets rough, you will lead it on.

Because love is the only thing stronger than fate.

I can't wait to tell you how my story goes. And maybe, one fateful Wednesday, we can discuss it over lunch.

See you, Charlie, and Mr. Campbell in a few chapters.

-Sabina C. Panicker

Oct 23, 2010

Dear Mrs. Lorey,

I am incredibly sorry for your husband and I wish my best regards for him and your family. I am also terribly sorry for PE. Our behavior was unacceptable and extremely rude. But this note is also to say goodbye. Mrs. Lorey you are one of my favorite teachers here in DAA since K-1. You are kind and sweet, pretty and generous and very caring. It is such a shame that you are moving and that you will not be my teacher for this year. I love your way of teaching and the way you make everything easier. At the beginning of the year I was scared how this year was going to be and so far it is amazing and my weeks have been passing by like lightning. And that is all thanks to my classmates and teachers (You!). I appreciate your hardwork and I am truly grateful and enjoyed being taught by you. Please try to find positivity everywhere you go and love your child unconditionally. I hope you the absolute best,

Sincerely,

Your student, Alissa Becker at DAA. ♥

(I pray for the recovery of your husband!)
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* P.S. English is my favorite subject, shh! *

The best teacher
teaches from the
heart, not the book....



Dear Ms. Lorey,

It was such a great opportunity to work with you through our 7th grade journeys. Throughout your short time with us, you have been involved in bits that were good and happy, times that were superior and silly, moments that the 7th grade will always remember. We will never forget the things that you've taught us, we will never forget the smiles you've put on us, and we will definitely never forget the teacher that loved us. We hope you have a wonderful time in America, remember to stay strong!

Sincerely,
Your lovely
grade 7 students

I'm gonna miss you!

-Janna

You've been such
a great teacher
we will miss you

-Hussein

We will miss you!
Elli

Thanks for being
the best
-Maya & Quinn

You have been the best teacher we ever had

-Alex

Have a good
time in America! -
Gavin

All our prayers go to
you and your family.

-Victoria


Dear Mrs. Larey,

Thank you for being an amazing teacher and starting off my year with an ~~amazing~~ amazing start. I wish ~~I could~~ you could continue to teach me. I will always remember you, as you have been so nice and kind. So, Thanks You

y!


Alize


Thank you for the amazing year. Have a great life. We will miss you.

We Will Miss you Ms. Lorey! 

Mata Zidan

I will miss you miss Lorey you were my favorite teacher last year and you still are

Barbara R 

We will all miss you are one of the best teachers I had. Hope everything gets better! 

Celine S

-We are so grateful that you were our teacher. We have had great times with you and naming you baby. We will miss you so much. Best of luck.

Bye Mrs. Lorey!
You made English so much fun and you are the reason I love reading! I will miss you so much.
Thank you for everything.
-Zora Aliz