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Re: Letter of Support for IPSO School

To Whom It May Concern:

IPSO School represents a new, exciting and unique prospect for Marin families to consider for their future high school students. As a parent of 3 San Rafael City School students (one currently at Davidson Middle School and two at Sun Valley Elementary school), as well as being the founder of the [Community Heroes program](#) that promotes kindness, compassion building and community service, IPSO's mission to "empower innovators to change the world" is entirely aligned with my priorities as a parent and as a professional. I've been very impressed with the wonder team's commitment to building a school that prioritizes innovation and stimulating students within a real-world learning environment. In my own experience observing how Community Heroes students come alive when grappling with real issues such as hunger and homelessness and finding ways they can help others, I have seen how students find their spark and truly learn about life. It can be life-altering to discover that power at an early age.

We are considering how to collaborate and support each other's efforts to engage students in project-based learning through the lens of community service. As Community Heroes seeks to expand our model from focusing on elementary school students, we have plans to scale our program for different age groups. IPSO would offer an ideal learning laboratory for high schoolers as we share a similar ideology about the importance of building a culture of empathy and service within a school setting. We would plan to co-create an adaptable curriculum that would work for high-school students as well as younger students, that would concurrently offer valuable community building and bridging opportunities with local charitable organizations.

IPSO School would cultivate a learning environment that would fully prepare 21st century learners to thrive as they go out into the world as adults. I offer my strong support of their efforts to launch their innovative school in my beloved community.

Sincerely,

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