

To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to highly recommend the firm of Huckabee Architects to you as a school district. In 1999, Midway ISD passed a \$52 million bond election to build a new elementary school, a new high school, renovate one elementary school and to remodel the existing athletic facilities. Huckabee was selected as the architectural firm to guide the district during the bond preparation, planning and construction of the two new campuses. During the planning phase the Huckabee team prioritized the functional components of the design. As a result we have these two wonderful new buildings that have excited the entire community. The buildings are beautiful, were built to meet student needs, are teacher friendly, and are still beautiful facilities after several years of use.

Currently, our district is preparing for a \$75.8 million bond election for May 10, 2008 and has hired Huckabee to oversee the entire process again. To illustrate the trust in which the Huckabee firm is held, our Board of Trustees did not consider any other firm for these future projects. So pleased were they with Huckabee in our last bond election, they were hired a second time without the benefit of an interview process.

As Superintendent of Schools, I have worked closely with the staff of Huckabee and have found them to be creative, conscious of budget restraints, extremely responsive, and incredibly friendly. They are available at all times and are very quick to return phone calls. Huckabee believes in a team approach from the initial planning stages and bond marketing campaign through the final walk-through at the site and they provide complete services in a professional manner. Midway ISD has been immensely satisfied with the services from Huckabee. Not only are these folks gifted professionals, they are also great to work with on a personal level. Chris Huckabee sets the tone from the top and you can see that personal work ethic and personal touch in all of the Huckabee staff. I recommend Huckabee without reservation.

I would be please to talk with members of your selection committee. Feel free to call on me if I can help you further.

Best regards,



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Superintendent of Schools