

Investing in teachers, our schools' most valuable asset Kevin D. Washburn, Ed.D., Executive Director

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To Whom It May Concern:

I've recommended Holden Christian Academy for several years. Why? Because their approach to teaching aligns with much of what we know about learning, such as:

- experience matters. We learn by thinking about our experience. Richer experiences prompt deeper thought, which constructs lasting learning.
- context matters. Learning in a confined context leads to limited use of that learning. In other words, when children learn new concepts and skills within a rich, multidisciplinary context, they are more likely to use their learning outside of the classroom.
- mindset matters. Learning requires effort, and engaging activity invites that
  effort. When learning engages the senses, the learner is more likely to apply
  himself to learning and, therefore, learn more.

Most schools understand these ideas, but few actually act on them. This is what makes HCA distinct. They intentionally teach in ways that foster deep, lifelong learning—the type of learning that not only endures but equips and empowers children to achieve their potential.

HCA teaches in ways I would want my own child to learn.

Sincerely,

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