

**Ridgewood School District**  
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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is a letter of support of the First Step organization with their application for the Community Connector Grant. Ridgewood Local Schools has worked collaboratively in the past with First Step. The partnership has been valuable to our school community. They work well with our parents, teachers and students.

An afterschool mentoring program is vital to the needs of our school community. This program aligns with our goal in the development of the whole child. The Ridgewood Community as well as our county depends on this type of collaboration with First Step in the interest of our students.

In Closing, the Ridgewood School District is in complete support of First Step and their efforts towards receiving this grant.

Sincerely,

Mike Masloski

Director of Curriculum and Special Education