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Hiring Committee
Lockport City School District
Human Resources Office
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Dear Members of the Hiring Committee:

I am writing to express my strong interest in the Director of Access, Engagement and Belonging position with Lockport City School District. As a value-driven and reflective educational leader, I am deeply committed to providing an equitable, high-quality education for all students across diverse backgrounds, abilities, and identities. Guided by integrity, service, and respect, my leadership platform focuses on a collaborative style that keeps student needs at the center of every decision.

Having recently completed the Leadership Initiative for Tomorrow's Schools (LIFTS) program at the University at Buffalo and earning my impending SBL and SDL certifications, I am eager to align my blended expertise as a veteran educator and administrative leader with the Lockport City School District following the mission to cultivate a sense of belonging with the opportunities for continuous growth for all students. As my resume outlines, I have designed curriculum, advocated for students, and developed community partnerships to build an inclusive environment where every student feels a sense of belonging.

As my reference letters state, I have demonstrated leadership working effectively with colleagues, students, parents and business partners through organizing events and being an active member of our advisory committee. I have built relationships with partners in industry to provide students with local work-based learning experiences promoting community and service. Working with the diverse student population at Erie 1 BOCES has proven to be deeply rewarding and impactful.

Throughout my career, I have met every professional challenge with grace, accountability, and an unwavering focus on preparing students for the next chapter of their lives. I am ready to bring a positive, collaborative, and highly organized leadership style to Lockport City School District. I look forward to the opportunity to elevate student achievement and celebrate staff accomplishments as the Director of Access, Engagement, and Belonging.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and dedication to the Lockport community. I welcome the opportunity to discuss how my unique blend of instructional experience and administrative leadership can serve your building.

Sincerely,

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