Dear Superintendent,

I am writing to introduce the Chief Child Advocate Leadership Training, an opportunity for school and district leaders to reflect on their practice and strengthen their advocacy for children.

I developed this training to help school and district leaders place the needs of children at the center of their decisions and practices. It draws upon my experiences as a teacher, principal, superintendent, educator, and leadership consultant, as well as my belief that children must always come before systems.

The training encourages leaders to examine how their decisions affect children, especially those whose voices and experiences are often overlooked. Participants engage in reflection and discussion and identify actions they can take to strengthen their schools and communities.

The training will help leaders:

- Develop a shared understanding of their responsibility as advocates for children
- Strengthen practices that promote safety, belonging, and opportunity
- Examine policies and decisions based on their impact on children
- Accept personal responsibility for speaking up and taking action
- Identify practical steps to better support children in their schools and district

The training can be tailored to your district's priorities and the needs of your leadership team. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how it could support your work and strengthen your district's commitment to children.

Thank you for your leadership and for your commitment to the children you serve.

Sincerely,

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