

My name is Holly Downey. I am writing today in reference to Franklin Towne Charter High School, where I have worked as an ELA teacher for more than 15 years. During this time I have grown and flourished thanks to my incredible colleagues and students. I would not be the teacher I am today without the lessons I have learned as a member of the FTC community.

My colleagues and I work relentlessly to provide our students with a safe environment in which to learn. Our maintenance staff in particular ensures our buildings are clean and welcoming. Teachers are in the halls during the change of class, high-fiving and fist bumping current and former students, establishing strong, trusting relationships that lead to positive conduct in the halls and in class.

Everyone at FTC works tirelessly to build our community. While mistakes were made, the ship has since been righted. Having worked with Brianna O'Donnell since the day I began at Towne, I've watched her grow and flourish into the leader she is today. I am confident she will guide this community with integrity. But only if she is given the opportunity. Please give her and our community that opportunity by voting against the revocation of our charter.

Thank you,
Holly Downey