

October 7th, 2013

Dear Brenda Hall,

This is a letter of wholehearted support for the Rose Rock School's new location at 1515 Main Street!

My son James is nearly 3 years old. Like every parent, I want my child to get the best possible education, taught to him by teachers who see him as the sweet individual soul that he is. Just after we settled here about a year and a half ago, I dove in and started my search for the best Pre-K and Kindergarten program in town.

I visited and observed at several popular local preschools, interviewed a lot of caregivers and teachers, and read extensively about all the different early childhood philosophies. Norman is blessed with a lot of great schools, but I couldn't find one that felt quite right for us. I thought I was going to have to compromise. But then I found Shanah Ahmadi and the Rose Rock School, and my search for the right school was over. I have never met a more content, harmonious and peaceful group of people working together than the teachers and students of the Rose Rock School.

And now I hear they are set to officially relocate just a stone's throw from our home, in the beautiful historic white house! Please, please let it be so! We live just across Main Street on Sunset Drive, and my husband and I are thrilled by the prospect of being able to walk or bike our son to school and the other community events held at Rose Rock, and to subtract one of our cars from the morning crush of traffic.

My own selfish, time-saving reasons aside, I know that the Rose Rock School will be nothing but an asset to the area. My family is invested in this neighborhood and we're in favor of anything that adds value, safety, beauty and positivity to our surroundings. The principles on which the school is founded inspire compassion, personal responsibility, community-mindedness and the joy in simple things. These are elements every place needs more of, and the Rose Rock School will be a valuable presence. I am so happy that the school is here in Norman, and even more excited to be living so close to its beautiful new location!

Please count me, my husband and my son as neighborhood voices in favor of Rose Rock School coming to 1515 Main Street.

Sincerely,
Alicia M. Collins



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