



February 5, 2019

Dear Mr. Tatum:

In order to qualify for the completion of the College of Saint Elizabeth's Masters Program in Educational Leadership, a candidate must prepare an action research on a problem relevant to the practice of educational leadership that demonstrates application of the content of the program. Alison Brehm has met the aforementioned requirement. The purpose of her action research is to explore the potential to implement standards-based formative assessments.

The following research questions will guide Alison's action research project:

1. How does the implementation of standards based formative assessment impact student achievement?
2. How does the anticipated change in student achievement impact teacher perceptions of Standards Based Formative Assessments?
3. Does standards-based assessment and student response to intervention indicate a need for revised scheduling of the instructional program?

She will be conducting surveys and focus groups with the appropriate student population groups.

Before Alison can proceed with her research, the College of Saint Elizabeth requires your approval and the approval by the board of education.

If you have questions, please contact me at DSLaraia@cse.edu or at 917-407-6019.

Sincerely,

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