



*From the desk of*  
*Aida & Shaz Awan*

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To whom it may concern,

We write this letter of recommendation, in the hope that it may help shed a parental insight into life at Sherwood Heights School.

Our two daughters have been going to Sherwood Heights since 2010 and we've experienced the school from kindergarten through grade six so far. Moving to private school has been an easy decision due to our lackluster experience with public education which left us very worried about our kids' future and their ability to build strong skills they'd need for variety of careers. In our search for private education, we looked for a school that would provide strong academic base coupled with opportunities to build out social, communication and leadership skills. We found that in abundance at Sherwood Heights.

Sherwood Heights is a community of academics who guide and teach our children. Each year children are assigned a new teacher and our experience with them has been very good. We've found that all teachers go the extra mile to work with the students based on their individual needs. The staff at Sherwood Heights works with parents to understand their goals and preferences and they support the same where they can. For example, if my daughters need to spend extra time studying after school, the afterschool caretakers will ensure that kids are not spending time playing games but they are encouraged to spend time on their homework and assignments. Likewise, when required, all teachers have offered to assist kids that need a bit more help understanding concepts. This is miles away from what we had to go through in public school. Sherwood Heights' teachers really get to know the kids in their class and actually take their success personally. The marks kids earn are their own and our girls take great pride in their accomplishments. Curriculum supporting books and workbooks are of top quality and what we would have expected in public school, but never actually seen. The annual science fair is a sight to behold. We've always walked away so impressed at the quality of work and ingenuity of students.

Sherwood Heights afterschool clubs such Chess club or French Café or Gym time are extremely engaging for kids and as a parent I very much appreciate daily homework time afterschool. We pick up our kids at 5:45 which leaves us little to no time to do work at home. Having the ability for kids to take their piano lessons on site are also fantastic and it saves parents time for other activities. We've been using the afterschool care since the beginning and it has been great experience. We know the kids are well looked after and because of the size of the school, their behaviors are monitored well and corrected if needed.

**There are so many more complementary things we could say about Sherwood Heights, its teachers and Mr. Mutlak, but our support of the school speaks volumes. We are very picky but very happy customers and we are very excited to see the school grow to offer high school levels as well.**

**We hope you'll give Sherwood Heights the opportunity it deserves. We'd trust no one else with our kids' education, both personally and academically.**

Sincerely,

*Awan Family*