

To The Chi Sigma Iota International Awards Committee,

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the nomination of Lisa Stimson for the Outstanding Student Mentor Award. During my term as President of the Alpha Omega Lambda Chapter of Chi Sigma Iota at Regent University, our chapter sought a master's-level representative, specifically someone who could advocate for and support our growing School Counseling program. Mrs. Stimson quickly emerged as the ideal candidate, demonstrating not only academic excellence and professionalism but also a dedication to service, leadership, and connection.

From the beginning of her involvement, Mrs. Stimson has modeled what it means to be a compassionate and effective student leader. She is the first to offer support and encouragement to peers who may be struggling, and she consistently steps into gaps to voice student needs. In a newer and smaller program within our department, School Counseling students have expressed feeling disconnected from the broader counseling program. Mrs. Stimson took the initiative to ensure they were seen, represented, and included. She actively engaged with our CSI chapter to collaborate and brainstorm meaningful ways to bring School Counseling students into active CSI involvement and professional identity formation.

Her mentorship style is characterized by warmth, authenticity, and deep care. She advocates courageously yet respectfully. Mrs. Stimson truly embodies the virtues of advocacy, service, and relational excellence that CSI seeks to recognize in its outstanding members.

It is without hesitation that I recommend Mrs. Stimson for the Outstanding Student Mentor Award. She sets a remarkable example for her colleagues, and any student would be fortunate to have her as a mentor.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

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