

October 20, 2014

To Whom It May Concern;

I am thrilled to nominate the Athletic Trainer for Edison High School, **Holli Jackson** for the ***FWATA Excellence in Athletic Training Award***. Ms. Jackson has made considerable contributions since she began as our Athletic Trainer in 2010. She is respected by student athletes, staff, coaches, parents and the community as one that give quality care.

She came to us with a true commitment to professional development of herself having earned her Bachelor's Degree in Kinesiology with an emphasis in Athletic Training from Cal State Fullerton in 2009 (Graduated Cum Laude.) She went on to receive her Masters degree in Human Movement from AT Still University in March 2012. Ms. Jackson is committed to providing quality professional development to the coaches, staff and students. In fact, she helped us restart the ROP Sports Medicine class in 2012, which she teaches - it has grown in popularity and enrollment every year.

Ms. Jackson demonstrates a strong and exceptional commitment to her students, athletes, coaches, staff and the school. She ensures that there is always a Certified Athletic Trainer at every sporting event on campus. Her efforts in coordinating and overseeing the annual athletic physicals help earn \$10,000+ for the athletic department each year. And her skills and dedication assisted with injury prevention that led to 2 CIF Championships for Women's Basketball and Football at EHS.

She mentors others in a variety of ways. For example, she served as a Clinical Instructor for CSULB Athletic Training Education Program and she oversee 5-8 student athletic trainers each year.

Her dedication to quality health care is exceptional. She serves as a CIF Wrestling Hydration Assessor. Through her efforts and persistence, and with the support of district funding, she fully implemented ImPACT Baseline testing (concussion) for all Charger athletes this year. Ms. Jackson is also a California Licensed Massage Therapist (LMT), a National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM) Corrective Exercise Specialist (CES), and also a National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM) Performance Enhancement Specialist (PES).

Holli Jackson displays an exceptional commitment to mentoring, professional development or enhancing the quality of health care. In fact, this year she was instrumental in Edison High School receiving the 2014 National Athletic Trainers Association (NATA) Safe Sport School First Team Award. We are in good hands with Holli Jackson. I recommend her without reservation and with glowing support for this prestigious award – the FWATA Excellence in Athletic Training Award. Thank you for considering this nomination.

Sincerely,
D'liese Melendrez, Ed.D.
Principal

