



May 31, 2024

Ms. Micki Ray, Chief Academic Officer
Office of Teaching and Learning
Kentucky Department of Education
Office of the Commissioner of Education
300 Sower Blvd., 5th Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Ms. Ray:

Dr. Amy Lingo has shared with me the exciting news that the Kentucky Department of Education has awarded the University of Louisville's College of Education and Human Development to establish the Kentucky Reading Research Center (KRRC) and named her its inaugural Executive Director. I recognize the significance of this initiative for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Additionally, I am confident the Center will contribute valuable research and data on reading instruction at a national level, benefiting educators and students across the country.

I have conveyed to Dr. Lingo my full support for her continued involvement with the Kentucky Reading Research Center as part of her role as Dean of the College of Education at Georgia Southern University. I anticipate that this endeavor will foster collaboration among the Kentucky Department of Education, Georgia Southern University, the University of Louisville, and potentially other state departments of education and institutions of higher education. I look forward to learning about the Kentucky Reading Research Center's contributions to advancing the science of reading to enhance learning and achievement.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at creiber@georgiasouthern.edu or 912.478.5251.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. L. Reiber".

Carl L. Reiber, Ph.D.
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

CC: Dr. Kyle Marrero, President, Georgia Southern University