



THE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY SCHOOL

613 Glover Street • Hendersonville, NC 28792

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To Whom it May Concern:

The Oklawaha Greenway is important to the Mountain Community School and to the broader Henderson County community. It provides an outdoor space where children of all ages can explore the natural world and learn firsthand about science. The Greenway fosters an appreciation for the natural world by giving children a chance to see migratory birds, explore wet lands, and learn to identify trees and wild flowers. The Greenway also helps children stay fit by providing a safe place for families to bike, run and walk their pets.

The Mountain Community School students and staff uses the Oklawaha Greenway through Jackson Park on a regular basis for our Bike/Walk to School Day events. We are grateful for the greenway we have and would benefit from extension to Blue Ridge Community College and other destinations. The Henderson County Greenway Master Plan encourages connections that would provide safe alternative transportation routes and create new recreation opportunities for our students and staff. We therefore urge the plan's timely approval and implementation.

Sincerely,

Denise Pesce
TMCS Principal