



RECOMMENDATION FOR NEW EMPLOYEE

Date: April 21, 2026	Recommended by: Tom Marcum
Primary position to be filled: Volleyball Head Coach	
Secondary position to be filled:	
Please indicate if this is a grant position (if so, indicate grant):	
Replacing: Payton Litney	New position:
Name of recommended individual: Jennifer Ward	
College or University and Major/Minor field of study: University of Pittsburgh - BA Literature Concordia University - MA Curriculum and Instruction	
Please list all relevant prior experience: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bartlesville High School, Oklahoma - Head Volleyball Coach (7 years) - West Chicago - Assistant Coach (Boys) (2 years) 	
Start date: 26-27 SY	Board approval date: April 27, 2026
Recommended salary schedule placement: Category 2, Level 3, Step 9 (9,218 w/BPTRS)	
Full-time equivalency (FTE): 1.0	Contracted days: Seasonal
<p>Background information:</p> <p>I am pleased to recommend Ms. Jennifer Ward to fill the Volleyball Head Coaching vacancy.</p> <p>Jen's passion and enthusiasm for volleyball make her an excellent candidate for this position. I look forward to seeing the impact she will have growing the volleyball program not only at the high school level, but also at the district level.</p>	