

To Whom It May Concern,

Testimonial in Support of AMIRA's SACE Professional Development Accreditation Application

Lynne Beachy Head, CEO of Chase Education Solutions, addressed my 3rd Year B.Ed class on the theme of "Connections: Does the ongoing technological revolution transforming society, and its inevitable influence over all aspects of teaching and learning, threaten educative relationships?" Using the AMIRA AI reading tutor as a concrete case study, she walked students through the realities of implementing AI-driven reading support in South African schools: the opportunities it creates, the practical challenges of rollout, and what it means for the teacher-student relationship at the heart of good pedagogy.

The lecture was exceptionally well received. Student engagement was immediate and sustained, with a lively question-and-answer session extending well beyond the allotted time. Several students also independently followed up with Lynne Beachy Head afterward, prompting a site visit to Happy Valley, an AMIRA-implementing school, to be arranged so the students could observe the technology in a live classroom setting. A number of these same students went on to interview Lynne Beachy Head further as part of an independent research project. This level of unprompted, sustained student interest is rare and speaks directly to the quality and relevance of the content delivered.

I would strongly recommend this training — both the AMIRA-specific instruction and the broader framing on AI and technology integration in classrooms — for any teacher, school, or Department of Education seeking practical, theoretically grounded guidance on implementing and evaluating educational technology.

Kindly,



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