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Dear Admission Board of Santa Monica-Malibu USD

My name is Katsuyuki Nishikawa. I have served as the principal of Nishiyamato Academy Saturday School for twenty years. Our Saturday school program is based on the curriculum of the Japanese Ministry of Education. Our 350 students, K-9, are enrolled in local primary and secondary day schools in the Los Angeles metropolitan area including Torrance.

Leila Fonseca is a bright, friendly student. I feel that Leila would be an excellent addition to your school.

She has a calm personality and is able to get along with everyone. She is also a kind-hearted child who understands her surroundings well and is willing to help her teacher. In Japanese Language Arts class, she is good at reading aloud, understands the content of sentences and their situations well, and can even express her feelings. In math, she can do numerical calculations in addition to solving word problems and formulating equations. She is always willing to work hard in her studies and will never give up.

I am confident Leila Fonseca will bring much to her next school, both in and out of the classroom, and strongly recommend her for consideration. If you have any questions, please contact me at (310) 325-7040 or at katsuyuki@nacus.org.

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