

April 20, 2021

Dear Dr. Lawson and Henderson County School Board Members,

My name is Jessica Grace and I am currently employed as a Business teacher at Henderson County High School. I am currently completing my 17th year of teaching at HCHS, all within Henderson County Schools..

Unfortunately, in May of 2020, I was diagnosed with Breast Cancer. Due to the type, stage and grade of my cancer, I was given 16 rounds of chemo followed by a double mastectomy in January of this year. I am still going through reconstruction and suffering from neuropathy from the chemo that requires physical therapy twice a week. With another surgery remaining, I am requesting to continue my FMLA for the rest of this School year and return on July 1, 2021.

One of the hardest parts of this battle during a pandemic was missing my students and co-workers. I am looking forward to returning to the classroom and my students during the 2021-2022 school year. I appreciate your support during this time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jessica Grace