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Dear Mr. Simms,

I wanted to take this opportunity to tell you what a phenomenal employee Sarah is.

I called this morning to ask if your center in Ft. Pierce is giving shots to teachers, since all teachers (in the Nation) are supposed to be able to be inoculated for Covid as essential workers.

Sarah was the one who took my call. She knew that teachers over age fifty could receive the shot, but wasn't sure if those of us younger than fifty could also receive out shots. Sarah promised to find out and said she'd get back to me. Amazingly, Sarah **did** call me back this afternoon. She was told that for us educators younger it would depend on who is giving the shot. People should be fifty and older.

It was great how hard Sarah WAS trying for me to get my shot. I told her it is really sad that a lot of us educators are saying we are considered "essential workers," but since we cannot really get the shots (even if we are asthmatic or have other health problems) we are considered "replaceable if we get sick with Covid or sadly pass away.

Sarah said she is keeping my phone number in case she hears that anything is changing with who can receive shots.

I told her what I believe educators should do for students when teaching young people; that we should help the children and their families with much more than the grade level(s) and subject area(s) we instruct. I feel our educational responsibility includes really helping the people with whom we spend most of our days, that we should go far "above and beyond" whenever and however we can. Sarah is doing the same thing! She tried her hardest- and is still trying to help me. She told me how she tried to help another person, a cancer patient, get a Covid test, so that woman could receive treatment.

As mentioned at the start of my note, Sarah is amazing. I told her numerous times how much I appreciated the fact she was trying for me. It is great when those of us in town see employees who really will do anything they possibly can to make sure people are treated their best.

Thank you for having such a marvelous person on your staff, working for those of us in the city. It's great for us to know there **are** caring people around!

Sincerely,
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