

## Amanda Pertuis

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**Subject:** Fw: Commendation for Exceptional Performance & Judgement



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**From:** Dustin J. Poche  
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Deputy Keaton Andrade,

I want to formally commend you for your exceptional judgment, quick action, and professionalism during the Lutcher High escort detail.

When the trainer reported that two students were experiencing severe cramping in their extremities extending into the abdominal area, you demonstrated excellent decision-making by listening carefully to the trainer's recommendations and recognizing the potential severity of the situation, including the early signs of Rhabdomyolysis. Your ability to take that guidance seriously and act without hesitation reflects both sound judgment and a strong commitment to the safety of those under your care.

Upon learning that there were no electrolytes available and that an IV could not be started roadside, you quickly coordinated with a local Deputy to identify a hospital approximately two miles south of your location and ensured that medical staff would be prepared for the students' arrival.

Considering the seriousness of the symptoms, the lack of medical supplies, and the distance remaining to return home, you made the executive decision to personally transport the two students and Coach Jenkins in your marked unit. This allowed the rest of the deputies and buses to continue home safely while ensuring the students received timely medical attention.

Upon arrival, you were met at the emergency room entrance by local deputies, and the students were immediately taken into triage, where they were evaluated, diagnosed, and treated. Your quick thinking, decisive action, and attentiveness were instrumental in achieving this positive outcome.

Sheriff Claude Louis Jr. often emphasizes that to achieve the best outcome, we must see an event fully and adapt to it as it unfolds. This incident perfectly exemplifies that principle, as you relied on the information provided, adapted to the circumstances, and made decisions that prioritized safety and care.

Your performance reflects the highest standards of our agency. Your professionalism, sound judgment, and dedication to the safety of others are truly commendable.

Sheriff Louis, can you please have Jena place a copy of this email in Deputy Andrade's personnel file as receipt of his commendation.

Thank you

