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To Whom it May Concern,

It is with great confidence and pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for Kristen Mielke upon the completion of her student teaching experience here at Morristown Elementary School.

Kristen has been a great addition to our fifth grade classroom. From the moment she joined our class thirteen weeks ago, the students have been eager to learn from her. She has a wonderful rapport with the students. They trust her, respect her, and want to work with her. The students understand her high expectations of them and respond well to her redirections when they are not meeting her expectations.

Kristen has a pleasant and calming mannerism about her that lends itself well to all students. She was able to form relationships with some challenging students, which created a positive learning environment where those students rose to the expectations that Kristen set. She was able to analyze, adjust and modify her instruction to meet the needs of her students each and every day.

During her time here in Morristown, Kristen participated in our PBIS meetings and Professional Learning Communities. She felt comfortable providing input and feedback on our meeting topics. She also participated in two inservice days, which a focus on K-12 math curriculum alignment, a day of PBIS cohort training, as well as a day of PLC training.

I can always count on Kristen to consistently deliver instruction, and creatively problem solve challenges while communicating clearly with students, staff, and parents. She is passionate about what she teaches, which carries over to the students who then become passionate about what they are learning.

Kristen is extremely capable, bright, and creative. She faces each day with enthusiasm and joy towards the profession of teaching. She motivates students by challenging them to think outside the box and always do their best. Kristen is always open for suggestions and when a decision is made, she is ready to adapt and carry on with her positive attitude. She would be a valuable asset to any school. She has the skillset to apply to any educational experience as well as the mindset to see herself as a continuous learner and collaborator.

Please do not hesitate to contact me about a reference for Kristen Mielke. Regards,

Anna Skidmore

5th Grade Teacher

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