



Letter of Recommendation

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To whom it may concern,

I'm pleased to write this very strong letter of recommendation for Mr. Andrew Marikis as he applies for teaching positions. I had the pleasure of supervising Mr. Marikis as he completed his advanced practicum and student teaching experiences in a second grade classroom at Baker Demonstration School and I can attest to the very high skill level he brought to the classroom and to the excellent work he did with colleagues at the school. I was particularly impressed with Andrew's ability to navigate the complex and demanding needs of students during this time of hybrid and remote teaching. I believe that Mr. Marikis excelled in each area of his field experience.

Mr. Marikis went beyond the basic needs of the curriculum and requirements. For example, he led ambitious activities which included oversight of a student produced musical film about social justice issues, from oversight of content through the final editing process. This is an example of how Mr. Marikis drew on his theater background and expertise, and his eagerness to be innovative and creative as part of the teaching process.

I consistently saw well-planned lessons, professional classroom management, caring interactions with students, appropriate assessments, and great follow-up in each of my observations and this was confirmed with my conversations with his cooperating teacher.

Mr. Marikis is reflective, works professionally, meets deadlines, and is very interested in professional growth and development as any good teacher would be. I give Mr. Marikis my highest recommendation for serious consideration as a classroom teacher and believe he will make an excellent addition to the teaching staff in any school where he works.

I'm happy to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

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