LAKESIDE Elementary School



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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Brett Scheidel and I teach fifth grade at Lakeside Elementary School in the East Grand Rapids Public Schools System. I have had the opportunity to team teach with Erin Reardon for the past two years. As a young educator, she is a very gifted individual.

It has been my sincere pleasure to watch Erin mature as a teacher both in and outside of the classroom. In my capacity of a team member, I have observed several endearing qualities about Erin that point to her amazing teaching ability and her concern for her students and their families. From her involvement in new teacher training and positive membership in different curriculum committees to her activity participation in school wide functions, Erin's deeds match her words. She truly has a passion for this profession and it is evident in the positive progress of her students.

One of the attributes that continues to impress me is how dedicated Erin is to new academic ideas. As a colleague, I witness a myriad of different personalities among my co-workers. There are those that you know are positive influence on students, yet they are resistant to change. There are those who work incredible hard, yet have difficulty mastering the curriculum set for their students. Occasionally, you meet a colleague that not only possesses ability, but also drive and dedication. These types of teachers you know instinctively will do well at whatever they set their minds to. Erin Reardon is this type of teacher. Erin is a wonderful teacher who goes beyond the expectations of everyday teaching. She possesses a positive attitude and demonstrates interest in her students beyond the classroom. Additionally, she enjoys searching out new tools and techniques that are such a benefit to her students as well as her teaching partners.

Erin Reardon is a quality person. She reflects a great work ethic, even when tried and tested. She also possesses a good heart and exemplifies leadership among her fellow teachers. I enthusiastically recommend and endorse Erin Reardon in her pursuit of a teaching job in your district.

Sincerely Yours,

Brett D. Scheidel

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