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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Megan Kosinski for a teaching position with your district. As Megan's methods course instructor for the past two years, I have been thoroughly impressed with her coursework and preparation for teaching. Ms. Kosinski is an outstanding student who is extremely driven, and she would be an asset to any teaching staff.

Megan has excelled in the areas of planning and executing lessons. Her lesson plans are always carefully thought out, aligned to Common Core State Standards, and crafted well in advance. At the same time, Ms. Kosinski understands the importance of being flexible and adjusts her plans to account for student learning, which is the mark of a more veteran teacher. She plans a variety of activities to maximize student engagement and learning. Megan has a passion for social justice and making curriculum accessible to all students, which she keeps at the forefront of her planning.

Ms. Kosinski values a student-centered classroom where students have the opportunity to learn from their classmates. She has also made dialogic instruction a priority, thoughtfully structuring talk and writing activities. Additionally, Ms. Kosinski has already developed an extremely reflective attitude toward her teaching practice and constantly displays her desire to improve through asking questions of her classmates and me.

As a former English department chair, I would not hesitate to hire Megan Kosinski for a position on my teaching staff. She has additional prior experience in tutoring that has clearly contributed to her skill as a teacher. Ms. Kosinski's dedication to educating students to the best of her ability would be a welcome contribution to the district. If I may further Megan Kosinski's candidacy in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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