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To Whom It May Concern:

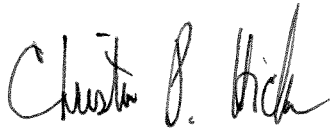
I am writing in support of Emma Carella, who has been my student teacher for the past four months. I recommend Emma for any teaching position because she brings not only all the requisite skills and pedagogy to a site, but additionally strong character. Emma is a strong educator because she is committed to best practices. During the past few months, Emma has shown the ability to successfully implement a variety of lesson plans, which many of them focusing on EL, small group, and whole group instruction. During her student teaching, Emma also efficiently and effectively ran the class for two weeks during her solo class takeover. She has earned the admiration of the students and the respect of our parents because of her quality teaching and the character she possesses.

During her second semester of student teaching, Emma infused her personality, humor, and love for teaching into her daily lessons. The students were ecstatic as they were challenged by Ms. Carella during extension activities during math or by explaining their thinking while Emma was infusing multi-step thinking focusing on the common core. Emma provided the students with differentiated instruction that promoted critical thinking and student movement.

Emma possesses a professional and positive personality that both staff members and students enjoy being around. Her ability to consistently be prepared for daily lesson, maintain flexibility if an unplanned situation may occur, and willingness to continue striving to become a more knowledgeable educator will make her a strong contributor to any school.

All in all, I know Emma would be a great contributor to any school site. Please contact me if you need any more information at 530.318.5799.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christian B. Hicks". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C" and "H".

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