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To Whom It May Concern:

It has been an honor and privilege to know and work with Christine Watson. I have had the opportunity to be assigned as cooperating teacher for Christine while she was assigned to Hempfield Area School District for her student teaching. In addition to her time spent in the high school library, Christine has observed in several other libraries and classrooms and has worked on collaborative lessons with other teachers. All the librarians and teaching staff were greatly impressed with her professional library and teaching skills.

Christine is an extremely motivated, organized, and professional. She enthusiastically participated in all aspects of library management including creating displays, collection development, weeding, technology troubleshooting, cataloging, and training student volunteers, among other things.

With a large amount of experience using technology, Christine has offered extensive assistance in the high school library. She has assisted other instructors with creating wikis. She has helped both teachers and students use the anti-plagiarism program, Turnitin. She has assisted with the creation and development of the library website and blog. Christine also received training in using SMART board technology, and then incorporated the SMART board into a variety of lessons.

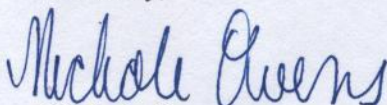
As an instructor, Christine was very impressive in her comfort and eloquence when speaking with students, whether it was on an individual basis or in a whole-class lesson. Christine also spent a lot of time working with other teachers and developing cooperative lessons. The teachers who have had the pleasure of working with Christine were extremely impressed by her knowledge and professionalism.

Christine also developed an excellent rapport with the students. She provided assistance to individual study hall students, was very thorough when doing class instruction, and also assisted with the training and scheduling of student library assistants. Christine had exceptional classroom management skills. She was fair and consistent when dealing with all students.

It is with great confidence that I highly recommend Christine to be hired as a school librarian. Her dedication, enthusiasm, knowledge, and respect for school librarianship and education will make her an outstanding asset to your school district.

If you need further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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