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Education Department

To Whom It May Concern:

It was a distinct pleasure to have been the College Supervisor for Megan Brown as she successfully completed her student teaching requirements during the fall semester of 2013. During this time Megan taught at Maryvale Primary, in a 1st grade classroom, and at Bornhava Early Childhood Center and Preschool. In both placements Megan displayed that she has the skills and personal qualities necessary to become an effective classroom teacher in either a special or general education classroom.

Characteristics such as flexible, caring, diligent, hard-working, intelligent, and patient describe Megan as she completed her work on a daily basis. Throughout her two placements Megan constantly worked hard to present lessons that were exciting, relevant, and that contained activities and strategies that ensured individual student success. She was eager and open to feedback that would improve her classroom teaching and effectiveness. I was most impressed with her classroom demeanor that she developed throughout her placements. She now appears to be a veteran teacher that is highly professional and skilled in the art of classroom management and the teaching process. I have been impressed with her understanding of the students with disabilities and the modifications she developed for academic success. She related to parents, school personnel, and all staff in a highly professional and appropriate manner. She is mature beyond her years. She developed a very strong rapport with the students in her care and constantly showed them her concern and goal of their learning in a safe and open atmosphere.

Megan clearly understands the New York State Common Core Standards and demonstrated this in her daily lesson planning and presentation. She is a natural leader and teacher. She was consistently most insightful with her daily reflections.

I strongly recommend Megan for any teaching position of her choice. She possesses not only the intelligence, but, also the heart to be a highly successful early childhood special education or general education teacher. If you have any questions concerning Megan's qualifications, please call me at 716-689-6335.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret Hollstein
Supervisor of Student Teachers

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