



Monroe Public Schools

MONROE HIGH SCHOOL
901 Herr Road
Monroe, Michigan 48161

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To Whom It May Concern:

Erin Basgall recently completed her student teaching of 9th grade English and Speech at Monroe High School in April of 2012. While here, she was actively involved with our students. Erin has dedicated countless hours both in and out of the classroom. For example, she volunteered to tutor our students at Arthur Leslow Community Center after school. Furthermore, Erin worked collaboratively with other teachers in our building. Her willingness to share her successful strategies and lessons has opened professional conversations about our curriculum.

Having been trained well, Erin is confident in her ability to teach. Erin understands the components of fourteen year old students; she recognized that 9th graders require special care. Because she is dedicated, she built relationships with each and every student. This, in turn, created a safe learning environment.

In the classroom, Erin taught the research paper, *The Odyssey*, and the novel *Night* by Elie Wiesel. Furthermore, she worked closely with our ESL teacher to help those who have difficulty with the English language. Lastly, she worked with our special education teacher to adapt lessons for those with learning disabilities. She created lessons that were "student friendly" while still meeting and exceeding the standards and benchmarks as defined by the state of Michigan. Erin utilized different teaching methodologies in his classroom, therefore eliminating a stagnant learning environment.

It is with great confidence that I recommend to you Ms. Erin Basgall. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via e-mail at mau@monroe.k12.mi.us or by phone at (734) 265-3658.

Sincerely,

Ms. Debbi L. Mau