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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Erin Basgall for a teaching position at your school. I had the opportunity to work with Erin at Monroe High School, where I was the ESL and Reading teacher. Ms. Basgall was student teaching in a 9th grade English class. She had many of the lower level ESL students and several Special Education students in her class. I was very impressed with Ms. Basgall's dedication to differentiating her instruction to make sure the needs of her ESL students were being met on a daily basis. I met with Erin on a regular basis to discuss the curriculum and collaborate on the best approaches to help the ESL students along with other struggling students be successful. She was very knowledgeable and had practical, interesting ideas on how to create different levels of lessons for the same topic.

Ms. Erin Basgall is extremely knowledgeable about the English content area. What really sets her apart from other teachers I have worked with is her dedication and ability to reach struggling learners. She continually looks for ways to make the content relevant for her students. Erin understands that without making the content applicable to her students, the students may have a difficult time with the information. Along with her English Language Arts knowledge, Ms. Basgall is also able to help students improve their reading of academic texts. She is able to assist students with comprehension by showing them how to chunk texts, look for main ideas, and signal words, and use the context of the text to help define and understand new vocabulary.

Although I only worked with Ms. Basgall for a brief time, I was impressed with how natural teaching was for her. She is confident, knowledgeable, and dedicated. She works tirelessly to help all her students be successful. I strongly recommend Erin Basgall for any position. She will be an asset to your school.

If you wish to discuss Ms. Basgall further, please contact me by phone at (248) 255-3314 or through email at voterl@kalamazoo.k12.mi.us.

Sincerely,

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