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To: Whom It May Concern

From: Gary Beaudoin, Principal
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Re: Dalcione Vollink

Date: June 23, 2008

This letter is being written on behalf of Dalcione Vollink who has been a teacher in our school for over a year. She has worked in a number of capacities and has served exceptionally in all of them. Dalcione first worked in our building as a substitute teacher who we called intermittently on short notice to help out when a teacher was ill. She did an excellent job working with students and staff. She was willing to accept any position and did a great job in all of them.

We next called on Dalcione to do a long-term subbing position for a math teacher who was out on maternity leave. Dalcione filled in from the beginning of the school year until the mid-point in the year. She set up the classroom, planned all lessons and completed all the duties of a teacher. She was quick to jump in to help with any project that might be a part of our school life. She quickly became a part of our staff that we could count on to give 110%.

During her time with us she not only did an exceptional job in the classroom, but also started a dance club and coached cheerleading at our middle school. She was a motivator in and out of the classroom.

Following her time as a long-term sub in our building, she was quickly called on to do the same in another district, so we did not have the opportunity to use her services for the rest of the school year. However, at the completion of the regular school year Dal agreed to come back and teach summer school. She is teaching Math and Science to fifteen students during the months of June and July. They are off to a great start, in large part because of her planning and implementation of activities that are relevant as well as motivating.

We currently do not have any openings at the middle school for teachers with Dalcione's qualifications, but if we did I would not hesitate to hire her. Any district hiring Dal will get a professional teacher who is serious about doing a quality job for her students and her school. I would look forward to having my own children or grandchildren in a classroom with Dal as their teacher.

If you have any further questions or need more information please do not hesitate to call me at 231-780-5122 (home), 231-894-5617 (school) or 231-730-3604 (cell).