

To Whom it May Concern:

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Niki Bray went through the Virtual High School (VHS) teacher training course in the summer of 2013. The majority of VHS teachers come in through our member schools; however, we do, on occasion, accept a limited number of qualified teachers who apply who are not part of our collaborative. Because we were so impressed by Niki's qualifications and her enthusiasm, we agreed to put her through the training for free. As lead facilitator, I got to know Niki well during the training course. There were a number of things that impressed me about her, most notable were her passion for teaching and her positive attitude.

Because of her exemplary performance in the training course, we hired Niki in the spring of 2014 to act as the Subject Matter Expert (SME) to help write a Physical Education course. Niki worked with our Manager of Instructional Development and developed, what I think, is an outstanding course. The course exemplifies Niki's philosophy of education which is that classes should be dynamic, challenging and student centered. The course asks students to set attainable and measurable goals.

Niki believes that all students can be successful if we give them the opportunity, and quite often this means that the teachers needs to go above and beyond to make this happen. Niki taught the course to students this summer and the course (and Niki's teaching) were met with great enthusiasm. According to Niki's Faculty Advisor, Niki more than exceeded our expectations for teachers. She diligently communicated with students and their parents on a regular basis and was exceedingly flexible in working to meet the needs of all of her students.

All of this is to say that Niki puts the same level of energy and enthusiasm into everything she does. She sets high standards for herself and is willing to do whatever it takes to attain them.

VHS has been very fortunate to have worked with Niki. I highly recommend her for employment because she is a professional in every sense of the word and will give 110%.

Please feel free to contact me if you need additional information. Sincerely.

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