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Dear Dr. Chermak,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for Susan Foltz. Susan has been working each week over the last several months in my classroom as part of a requirement for her Broward College coursework. Thus, I have had multiple opportunities to, not only speak at length with her about her previous experiences, but to observe first hand how she interacts with students. I can say without reservation that all of my students absolutely adore her. She has presented several lessons that she created – all wonderfully conceived, presented, and followed through. Susan has great technological as well as artistic skills and she put them to good use by creating interesting and exciting PowerPoint presentations to introduce the lessons and engage the students. She exhibited an ability to work closely with individual students and still maintained a sense of “withitness” as far as whole classroom management. I have been teaching for 30 years and a department chair for 25 years – so I realize what a gift this ability truly is! The assessments that Susan designed, both self and teacher tests, were also well formulated.

Furthermore, during the time that I have known Susan she has substituted for me and several other members of my department. All were impressed with how well she handled keeping the students on task and maintaining classroom procedures. Students seem to always respond positively to her nurturing nature and commitment to them. Susan has graciously shared many examples of her own artwork with my students, which generated much respect from them for her own technical skills. In summary, I would just like to say that Susan would be an asset to any staff and you would be wise to make her part of yours. It would be a sound investment in the future success of your school. Please call me if you have any further questions. The direct line to my office is 754-322-1592.

Sincerely,

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