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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in hopes that you will consider hiring Jenni Reinke for an instrumental music teaching position you may have available now or in the future. I had the good fortune of team-teaching with Jenni from October 2006 until May 2007, and I have only good things to say of her abilities as a teacher and her motivation of students.

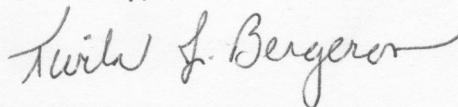
We are a small elementary district (K-8) that feeds into Nicolet High School. We do not offer instrumental music instruction as part of the elementary music experience, but do run lessons on a pay-for-use basis through the Nicolet High School Recreation Department. This program was new in 2006, and because I myself am new to string teaching (Instrumentally, I am a woodwind player) we searched for someone to team with me in this endeavor. Jenni's application was strong, and as soon as she came on board we knew we had made the right choice.

Lessons were weekly for an hour in lesson groups of ten to twelve. Jenni worked with our violin and viola student lessons, and I worked with our cellists. The vast majority of our students were beginners or advanced beginners ranging in age from six to ten. Being new to string playing, I was unsure how to adapt the more traditional Suzuki string methodology for school classroom use, and with Jenni's guidance we were able to pick and choose what would work best for our situation. To this day I use many materials and games Jenni gave me, and I have become a stronger string teacher as a result.

While I learned from Jenni, I believe she learned from me as well! She responded very **quickly** to my suggestion that we pick up the pace of our lessons. As their elementary music teacher, I knew the children well and knew that they could progress through note-reading very quickly. The ease at which Jenni took suggestions from me and adapted these suggestions to suit her teaching style impressed me... such grace for someone so new to the field... a "natural!" Children loved her and couldn't wait to be in Miss Jenni's presence.

You will be giving your students a wonderful gift if you are able to hire Jenni.

Sincerely,



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