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To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure to write this letter of recommendation on behalf of Kevin Collins. Mr. Collins was my daughter's fourth grade teacher at North Road Elementary in Fenton, Michigan. Because of his teaching style, love of children and emotional connections, he made my daughter's year the best yet.

Mr. Collins is an excellent classroom teacher. During my daughter's fourth grade year at North Road, I was also teaching fourth grade in another district. I was very in tune with the expectations and curriculum of the grade level. What I witnessed was how he successfully completed all academic areas required for the State of Michigan. He did this in a well-organized fashion, as topics easily flowed from one topic to the next. Mr. Collins utilized various resources and teaching styles, which were extremely beneficial to my daughter and her academic success throughout the year. Enthusiasm, kindness, professionalism, and compassion are some of the many strengths that Mr. Collins possesses.

As a fellow teacher, I would often be in contact with him about different activities he was doing in his classroom. He was always more than willing to share his ideas and projects with me. Many of those ideas were incorporated into my own lesson plans and I was very grateful. This willingness to share showed what a collaborative teacher Mr. Collins is.

Mr. Collins has a sincere concern for children and their well-being, along with their education. His caring nature was very apparent with my daughter as my now ex-husband and I were going through a divorce. He was extra patient and kind when she was going through this major change. He was there for her to talk, and just be a friend when she needed compassion and understanding. For that I will be forever grateful.

Mr. Collins takes initiative; he is willing to go the extra mile, and does so with a smile on his face. He maintains excellent communication with parents, through his class newsletter, phone calls home, and e-mails. He has excellent rapport with all parents.

I highly recommend him to anyone interested in hiring a dynamic and energetic teacher. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nicole McVey".

Nicole McVey

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