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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to recommend Nina Dimitrov for a teaching position in your school district. I supervised Nina while she student taught in fourth grade at Curry Elementary in the Tempe School District. During my observations of her classroom, I was impressed with her original, interactive and hands-on lessons. Her students were actively engaged through her use of manipulatives and visuals. Lessons accommodated all learning styles, intelligences and needs. Nina welcomed feedback after lessons and is looking forward to implementing many new ideas in her own classroom.

Nina had a good handle on classroom management. As a beginning teacher, classroom management is always a challenge. She moved around the classroom as she taught, constantly checking for understanding. Her expectations, rules and directions were clear. She also provided her students with positive reinforcement and smiles.

Nina's lesson plans and materials were always available and organized. Her materials were prepared in advance and within arm's reach which made her lessons all the more successful. One science lesson required the students to study an entire plant. Nina went out of her way to find a variety of plants to bring into the classroom, making the lesson more visual. She had all the plants labeled in advance and presorted for the cooperative groups.

Nina attended grade level meetings and was part of school events such as parent teacher conferences. She had a positive and professional relationship with her students, parents and the faculty at Curry. Her warm and bubbly nature will be appreciated by her future classroom parents. She is dedicated to making a difference in the lives of children.

I have been most impressed with the effort and skills that Nina has shown. She is a caring, thoughtful and energetic person who would make a wonderful addition to any faculty. I highly recommend her for any teaching position. It has been a delight working with her this semester. If there are further questions, I can be reached at (480) 883-8878.

Sincerely,



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