



Chaparral Elementary School

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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for Kirstin Barnard. I have been privileged to work with Kirstin and currently supervise her at Chaparral Elementary where she works as a 4th grade teacher.

Ms. Barnard demonstrates tremendous ability and success in teaching our students. It is apparent from her work that she possesses the learned instructional knowledge and skills necessary to create a nurturing and intellectually stimulating environment for all learners. Her students like her; her student learn! Each and every one of her students is intentionally set up to find academic and social successes. Kirstin provides them with a wealth of learning opportunities that address a wide variety of student needs and she works diligently to involve every student in their own learning.

Kirstin has worked at Chaparral for two years and has already become a leader at our school, in our community, in our District, and beyond. On site, she is an influential member of our Action Planning Leadership Team, Digital Literacy Teacher Leadership Team and Cognitively Guided Instruction Leadership Team. She has also become a leader in Capistrano Unified School District and serves as a member of the Superintendent's Teacher Advisory Council, Teacher Development Advisory Board, and PLC Implementation Committee. Lastly, her expertise in technology has not only been a benefit to our learners, but she has been recognized at the regional and national levels. Kirstin has presented to teachers and administrators at many regional technology conferences and, due to her knowledge and skill set, was selected to present at CUE National Conference this spring.

Kirstin has a developed repertoire of student management techniques. Her classroom is well planned; her lesson design is differentiated and shows a clear understanding of student needs. Her assessments are matched to the standards. She is flexible, innovative and caring. Her enthusiasm towards the profession makes her classroom an exciting place for students.

Kirstin understands the importance of relationships. She is consistent in her communication with parents, students and colleagues. She maintains a positive attitude that is greatly appreciated by all who work with her. She is a team player in every sense of the word.

I recommend Kirstin Barnard to you without hesitation or reservation. She can accept any challenge or circumstance and develop it into a productive and valuable educational experience. Her personal characteristics such as patience, dependability, trustworthiness and focus will be a tremendous asset to any school or organization she serves.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Warm regards,

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