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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of Brent Van Staalduinen.

I am the Coordinator of the High School Media Centre and am writing from the perspective of having worked frequently with Brent and his classes in the Media Centre.

Brent is a highly organized teacher. His lessons have a clear focus with effective pedagogical methods used to achieve the stated objectives with his students. His lessons are challenging and allow the students independence to pursue the answers to the stated inquiry question.

Brent demonstrated this approach in a strong manner in his Journalism class. Recently, his class was invited to present the life of the school in the local newspaper. He presented this challenge to his journalism students. The students pursued this challenge with great enthusiasm and success. They decided on the areas to be represented, the content, the layout and the pictures.

Brent has very effective class management skills. He ensures that his students are organized, attentive and on task. Questions are handled with alacrity and assistance is ongoing.

Brent has demonstrated his leadership skills within the school community. For example, he volunteered to take on the task of reimagining the school. He analyzed the school logo and how the school presented itself to the public. He presented the results of his work to administration for their consideration and for the implementation of his ideas.

I would strongly recommend Brent to your school community.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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