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To whom it may concern:

Savannah Stewart is a teacher candidate who recently completed her final long practicum in my Kindergarten classroom at Dallas Elementary in Kamloops, BC. It was a pleasure to be her teacher mentor; she will be an asset to any school that she is hired to teach at. I would not hesitate to recommend her to the TTOC list or hire her as a beginning teacher at any of our schools.

In my opinion the best teachers establish connections and form relationships with students in their class. I observed Savannah quickly develop relationships with all students in my class, especially with my student with Autism. She worked wonders with this boy and is a huge reason why he is seeing so much success at school. Savannah had a very calm and warm demeanor which really drew my students' attention to her. They will miss her in the classroom. Savannah developed relationships with other teachers in the school very easily and collaborated with them on several occasions.

Savannah is a very hard working teacher. Her lesson plans were clear and concise and appropriate for a Kindergarten class. Savannah made excellent use of her time and was prepared and organized for each day. After school I would watch her quickly move around the classroom cleaning from the long day but also preparing for activities to come tomorrow. She would never leave the classroom without asking if there was anything she could do for me. Savannah took on extra responsibilities including to help coach the Dallas Grade 6 girls Tier 1 Rec basketball team. She was very excited for each practice and game.

Savanna had good knowledge of the Kindergarten curriculum and would not have difficulty being prepared for any grade level. Her classroom management skills improved throughout her practicum and she was very open to suggestions and put these new ideas into action right away.

It was an absolute pleasure to have Savannah in my classroom for her long 10 week practicum. I see her having a long and successful career as an educator and I strongly recommend her to our or any district that has the opportunity to have her. Please feel free to contact me for more details.

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