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To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter of recommendation for Charlotte Tadych as she applies for a teaching position in your school district. Some of the qualities I am about to share about Charlotte lead me to believe she would be an excellent addition to your social studies department.

I had the pleasure of co-teaching a freshman level Area Studies class with Charlotte. Plymouth High School is fully inclusive, and this class had students of all ability levels. We had students who would challenge for valedictorian, all the way down to CD Borderline students. As a special education teacher, we planned curriculum to meet the needs of all learners. Charlotte participated in differentiating instruction as well as modifying both formative and summative assessments so that every student had a chance to succeed. She did a very nice job of challenging high end learners, while making the class easy for low level learners to understand. As a result of our planning, Charlotte was able to produce three different summative assessments to evaluate student learning and many other formative assessments along the way. This experience will no doubt benefit her as she progresses in her teaching career. Throughout this planning, it became apparent she is open to new ideas as evidenced by the lessons she produced. They were thoughtful, well designed and interactive. I believe the students benefitted by her presence and ideas this past quarter.

Another strength of Charlotte is her ability to take feedback and apply it to lessons and practice immediately. Charlotte was able to use many differentiation techniques, such as visual aids, graphic organizers, short videos, lecture and small group work to ensure student success. She took in a lot of information and was able to apply it to the content standards in the class.

In all classes, students will struggle. Charlotte understood this from the beginning. One of the things that impressed me most was her dealings with struggling students. She would work both during class and after school with these learners. She constantly tried to figure out why they were struggling and what she could do to help them succeed.

I believe that Charlotte is very passionate about teaching. She is even more passionate about having all of her students become successful. She is organized, thorough and pays attention to detail. I have no doubt Charlotte will do a great job in any Social Studies position she gets.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

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