

January 31, 2009


To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Tammy Collins, First Grade teacher at Colonial Trail Elementary. I have had the privilege of working with Tammy the past two years and can only say positive things about her. She exemplifies professionalism in many ways. She is always punctual, extremely organized and very progressive in her approach to helping her students. For example, during the 2007-2008 school year, Tammy followed her instincts and pursued special education services for one of her students. At times the necessary paper work and evaluations seemed a bit overwhelming, but Tammy was determined to demonstrate that her student needed special assistance to succeed. She persevered and obtained that assistance for her student!

Tammy's energy is also remarkable! She is always volunteering to serve on committees and she attends many workshops to remain current in her field. This past fall, she secured a semi-professional soccer player to be our keynote speaker on Career Day and she trains others on how to utilize Promethean boards in the classroom. She is always willing to meet with parents upon request and strives to maintain a comfortable rapport with them.

Finally, and most importantly, Tammy is a kind and loving teacher. Her students know that she cares about each of them, individually, and they are always striving to please her. School is fun for her students because Tammy's lessons are creative and engaging. After recently observing Tammy teach a math lesson, even I wanted to go back to First grade. In all sincerity, Tammy would truly be an asset to your staff and community.

Please call me, if you have any questions (804-364-0055).

  
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