October 20, 2010.

To Whom This May Concern:

Please accept this letter as a reference for <u>Jo-Ella Stevens</u>.

I have taught with Jo-Ella for several months at Mihtatakaw Sipy School located in Driftpile, Alberta. She teaches mainly at the grade 2/3 level. Being a small, k-8 school, the staff work closely together. There are periodic teacher exchanges as well once a month where each teacher works with other classes for a period.

Having taught many years in the public system as well as several recent years on reserves, I would rate Jo-Ella very highly as a teacher and colleague. She is a conscientious worker who spends extra time preparing lessons to meet the needs of each student. She is always ready to assist other staff members. As well, she does additional work in the school such as preparing a Policy Handbook. From what I have observed, her discipline strategies are very effective. Most of her students have special needs, and she does excellent work with these students. She is a positive force in the school which has an uplifting effect on all of us. Her students think highly of her.

Jo-Ella would be an asset in any school. Her professionalism and dedication to both students and staff are very commendable. Her future in education is very bright, indeed.

I hope the above information will be useful to you.

Sincerely,

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