



Wolftrap Elementary School

**FAIRFAX COUNTY
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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Letter of Recommendation for Eric Triche:

In the nine years that I have been an administrator, I would place Eric Triche in the top five per cent of teachers that I have worked with in Fairfax County Public Schools. Mr. Triche has demonstrated exemplary skills in each area of the Teacher Evaluation Assessment process.

During these three years at Wolftrap ES, Mr. Triche has taught fourth grade. In this position he has revitalized the way the curriculum is taught especially language arts and social studies. Mr. Triche integrates all content areas. With one of the fourth grade Virginia history units on "Taxation without Representation", Mr. Triche led his team in a positive simulation which involved students in persuasive writing, oral presentation skills as they had to voice their unhappiness with administration in unfair practices with Wolfie bucks, and in viewing history from a very personal perspective. This unit was so outstanding it captured the attention of the Vienna Connection and was a featured story.

His enthusiasm for working and communicating with families is extremely positive. He believes in personal communication. I have heard him tell teachers, "Pick up the phone and call the parent. That keeps the communication open and positive." In this day of quick emails he still believes in talking face to face or over the phone. Mr. Triche is also that teacher that finds out what his students are involved in after school and he does his best to show them he is interested in all facets of their lives as he often shows up at weekend sporting activities.

Mr. Triche has served as one of our two Student Council Advisors for the past two years and it is this position in which he has demonstrated those definitive leadership skills that are so vital to working with a variety of educators and students of varying ages and abilities. While in the classroom, I have observed outstanding teaching skills, it is in his role as the SCA moderator that I observe his potential for leadership. Mr. Triche has also been team leader this year and in this position he also has demonstrated his ability to think beyond the classroom to what may impact the school.

If I had children still in school, I would want Mr. Eric Triche for their teacher. He is by far one of the most talented, creative, caring, and dedicated educators I have had the privilege to work with in Fairfax County Public Schools. He is able to impact others and bring out the best in each of his students. If you have any questions, please contact me at anita.blain@fcps.edu or at 703-319-7300.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anita Blain".

Anita Blain, EdD.
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