



Dear Administrative Staff,

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Eric Triche for an international teaching position. Eric is the consummate teacher excelling in all aspects of the teaching profession. Eric's knowledge of the English curriculum and the standards-based classroom enable him to prepare and execute lessons appropriate for all learners. He challenges his students with innovative and prolific reading and writing activities engaging students at all levels of the learning process. Several of his students were winners in local writing competitions last year. His lessons accommodate his diverse population of seventh grade students which includes honors, regular, and special education students in team taught classes. His integration of technology into the curriculum captivates both his reluctant learners and his advanced students. Eric motivates his students to learn and excel as evidenced by their success rate in state-mandated tests, often working after school with his neediest students using intervention strategies.

Eric is a team player and works collaboratively with the seventh grade English team, organizing the team's computer on-line testing and suggesting professional books to read to enhance teaching strategies. He has contributed to the team's formative and summative assessments, as we ascertain how and what our students have learned. His knowledge of technology has enabled us to chart our data to analyze our areas of strengths and weaknesses for our common assessments. He has volunteered to plan and organize a school-wide spelling bee working with students after school to prepare them to participate on both a school level and a national level. Eric compiled all of the English Department's data for both seventh and eighth grade students and wrote our school plan of goals this year to submit to the Fairfax County's cluster director. All of these activities exhibit his leadership qualities.

To establish the best learning environment for his students, Eric communicates with administration, counselors, faculty, and parents. He represented the English Department last year for rising seventh grade orientation, talking to parents about the expectations for their students as they enter seventh grade English. Eric is the quintessential teacher and an asset to our school and our community. I highly recommend Eric for the teaching position he is seeking.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mrs. Rosemary Muldoon".

Mrs. Rosemary Muldoon

English Department Chair, Seventh Grade