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To whom it may concern:

Jessica Askew was a long term substitute for six weeks in my language art classes in the fall and winter of 2013-2014. From the first week Jessica assumed my responsibilities, I was relieved to hear from fellow team members how well she handled the classes and how quickly she became a part of the sixth grade team. Jessica respectfully followed the plans I left while demonstrating flexibility and autonomy. She administered both formative and summative assessments and completed student grades for the second semester.

When I returned to work, we had a chance to "team" teach for one week as we transitioned. I was impressed with the rapport she developed with the students. She demonstrated a respect for all the sixth graders while also establishing herself as the head of the class. I was also able to observe her teaching lessons and was impressed with her knowledge of the content and her comfort with the common core. Jessica's lesson delivery was clear and developmentally appropriate. She encouraged critical thinking, asked varied questions, and connected content to previous lessons.

Jessica also became an active member of the sixth grade team. She was able to contribute to discussions regarding student concerns and was an active problem solver. When the team met on a Sunday afternoon to plan an extension for the class, Jessica joined in knowing her tenure in the classroom was about to end.

For all these reasons I am very comfortable recommending Jessica Askew for a permanent teaching position. Please contact me if I can be of any other help.

Sincerely,

Eileen Covell