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Paul D. Savage II  
Superintendent of Schools  
1273 Route 9N  
Clintonville, New York 12924

Dear Mr. Savage,

It is without reservation that I recommend Derrick Hopkins for a teaching position in your district. I have worked with Derrick for three years, with an opportunity to work closely with him in our roles as sixth grade teachers during the 2020-21 school year. He has the perfect blend of no-nonsense and playful attitudes required by K-8 teachers, and through his work with the drama club at Willsboro Central School, has also demonstrated an ability to work well with high school students.

As an elementary teacher, Derrick has a strong knowledge of core subjects. He can pivot between them with ease, and his read-alouds for students are legendary in their performance. His expertise extends to a facility with technology that makes him the go-to for other teachers in the building.

Derrick's sense of humor and strong work ethic make him an excellent colleague and a benevolent task-master for students, be they in his class or in one of his productions. He gets results in the work he does with kids.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can answer any questions or be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Christine Landaker Charbonneau, NBCT