



Clearwater Valley Jr/Sr High School

6/6/07

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter for Mr. Jim McCue; a man who taught Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Basic Algebra, and Applied Math for us this past year. There is no doubt that he learned much about the field of education and will continue to do so. He was recommended for re-hire by me and I believe he would be of great service to any other district.

Jim's strengths are his life experiences and knowledge base. He truly understands the subjects he teaches well. He worked diligently to identify and work within the given culture of our community. He was present at almost every extracurricular activity supporting the student's endeavors outside the classroom. This was appreciated by both students and parents. He is also very teachable. He wants to learn, to grow, and to improve as an educator. Often, we would hold discussions about new strategies or techniques to improve a lesson or classroom management. He would earnestly attempt to implement what was discussed in these meetings.

If asked, Jim will honestly talk with you about any of the problems he may have had with discipline and/or classroom management. However, it must be noted that the management skills were about what one would expect from a first year teacher. He is to be commended for his ability to improve in this area as the year progressed. In the end, he offered the students a strong academic class well organized. He has a genuine concern for the students and it was evident that he would make every effort to engage the students while presenting the information.

It has been a pleasure to guide Jim through his first full year of teaching. He is a man that works tirelessly to deliver quality education to his students. I recommend Jim McCue because I believe he will be an asset to your teaching staff.

Sincerely,

Fred Woods
Principal