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Office of The Superintendent of Schools

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## LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

RE: Michelle Vidotto

Please accept this as a letter of recommendation for Ms. Michelle Vidotto. This is Michelle's fourth year with the Prairie Rose School Division No. 8. She is currently teaching a grade 3 class of 18 students at the Burdett School. This report is based on several formal observations that I have done with Michelle, as well as discussions with the school Principal.

A very positive learning environment exists in Michelle's classroom. Positive reinforcement and encouragement are used to guide student behavior. Routine was well established and as a result excellent classroom control is maintained. Students remained interested and on-task for the majority of time.

Energy and enthusiasm are two words that would best summarize Michelle's teaching style. She only has one speed and that is full out. Michelle displays a sincere caring for her students and they return the respect through their actions and work habits. Michelle has high expectations of the students and they will do all they can to not disappoint her.

Michelle is well planned, with students moving quickly from one task to another. She attempts to meet the needs of all learners through the use of different learning modalities and by adjusting expectations based on the learner's abilities.

Michelle handles her responsibilities professionally by meeting deadlines in an efficient and timely manner. Her participation in various school functions is appreciated by parents, students and staff. She organizes and coaches a mini volleyball and a mini basketball for grades 3 to 6 as an after school program.

Michelle does not hesitate to phone parents to keep them informed of the progress of the students. She sends a weekly letter home to parents informing them of what the students are working on and her expectations along with upcoming topics and events. She calls this their Friday folders.

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I highly recommend Michelle as a hard working, professional. She displays many of the qualities of a more experienced teacher. She would definitely be an asset to any school or jurisdiction. If you are in need of an excellent quality teacher, Michelle will serve you well. Please do not hesitate to call me if you require further information. I may be reached at 403-527-5516 (Ext: 242)

Sincerely,

Lowell S. Leffler

Superintendent of Schools

Prairie Rose School Division No. 8