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Recommendation for Adam Constantilos

Mr. Constantilos spent the first trimester of our 2018-2019 school year as a sixth grade life skills student teacher. Adam wasted no time immersing himself in all aspects of the job. Being the start of the school year, he was able to establish his own routines and expectations with a minimum of guidance from his supervising teacher.

Adam established excellent rapport with his students. He clearly enjoys the charm of middle school students and what makes them so special. Mr. Constantilos was able to connect with his students, while also maintaining appropriate professional distance. Students clearly enjoyed being around him, but also showed complete respect for his position as their teacher.

Effective planning and preparation were evident in Mr. Constantilos' approach. The course content revolved around developing student organizational skills, largely through a health education focus. Adam's lessons took full advantage of our one-to-one Chromebook program. He developed routines that incorporated technology on a daily basis. Direct instruction was appropriately limited, with the bulk of the time dedicated to student work, much of which involved the use of technology. I know Adam's supervising teacher appreciated learning from him, new ways to use technology for all aspects of instruction, from quick formative assessment, to engaging activities that allowed students to make their own discoveries.

Adam demonstrated a solid understanding of student developmental needs and how the school is structured to support students. Being fully dedicated to the sixth grade team, Adam was able to participate in the daily team meetings. He was an active, contributing member, offering insights on students that belied his lack of experience in this setting. Indeed, it was nice to have his new ideas and perspective enriching the discussions with insightful questions and creative suggestions. Adam even had the opportunity to speak at a grade level assembly, offering a nice combination of motivation and organizational suggestions to facilitate the students' adjustment to the middle school setting.

I know that Mr. Constantilos has what it takes to be an effective teacher. He blends a nice combination of real world savvy, with the idealism needed to shape impressionable youth. Most importantly, Adam clearly connects with students and understands their academic and social and emotional needs. I wish Adam a great future as he embarks on a career in education. I recommend him to join the teaching ranks without hesitation.

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