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To Whom It May Concern:

This is my personal letter of recommendation for Dr. Jerrod Wheeler. I have been Dr. Wheeler's school counselor for the last 5 years. I found him to be consistently supportive, enthusiastic, and professional in all aspects as my school principal.

Under his leadership, our school has maintained the highest percentage of attendance in the district, consistently high test scores on both the Stanford Achievement Test in first and second grades and the Missouri Assessment Program in third and fourth grades, and have been awarded Gold Star status, as well as invited to apply for Blue Ribbon which we all believe is forthcoming in the fall. The high teacher and student morale in our building is the direct result of his creativity by team building through themes during the school year. This year's "Rock the MAP" was especially fun for both students and teachers and set the stage for two weeks of assessment. Many students commented of their sadness when testing was completed because the atmosphere in the building was focused, yet happy, which is unusual during what can be the most stressful time during a school year. The teachers commented about the increase in student effort during testing sessions and are excited to get their results.

Dr. Wheeler is a man of integrity and dedication. He works with the staff as a team member and is willing to listen to concerns and seeks out suggestions before making his final decisions. He is respectful of others and genuinely cares for the students and faculty. His pride in our team's successes is not kept secret as he consistently points out and encourages our hard work and commitment to excellence. He is our greatest cheerleader when we are feeling overwhelmed. His word can be trusted when we need to make some improvements for we know he is looking out for our best and highest good. Dr. Wheeler is willing and open for improvement and expanding his ability to lead as he continues to model these attributes for his faculty.

I highly recommend Dr. Wheeler for employment. Our loss is certainly your gain. As cliché as that is, it's the truth. He will be a tremendous asset to your team.

Most sincerely,

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