



# CUPERTINO HIGH SCHOOL

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am very pleased to recommend Bobby Pelz for a position as teacher in your school district. I have worked with Bobby for five years and have taught with him as a co-teacher in an inclusion English class for two years.

Bobby is a talented, dedicated, hard working teacher who showed professionalism in and out of the classroom. As a co-teacher in a classroom with a third of its students on an IEP, Bobby was always flexible in his teaching style and eager to differentiate to meet the needs of all students. His excited, animated style of teaching engaged all students, even those who were not interested in learning. His caring, even temperament in the classroom allowed students to take risks and make strong connections with him which allowed them to learn more than they thought possible. Bobby's knowledge of different learning styles, his ability to develop meaningful relationships with students and his positive attitude make him an excellent addition to any school faculty.

Bobby's passion for Slam Poetry and revolutionizing the world we live in were a driving force in his classroom. He was able to give students a voice and a purpose for being by allowing them a safe place to discuss their thoughts and opinions in the classroom. Bobby pushed students to think about the world we live in and their role within it every Friday with a "Dropping Knowledge" activity. He brought awareness to Cupertino High School seniors that they were lacking and turned them into more sophisticated thinkers about their environment and attitudes toward life. He also turned them into motivated learners.

I recommend Bobby without reservation. He builds strong relationships with students and appears to have a genuine enjoyment of young adults. He is a team player and a "natural" in the classroom.

Sincerely,

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