



Anchorage School District

Orion Elementary School
5112 Arctic Warrior Drive, JBER, Alaska 99506

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for Kelly Bandoch.

I have had the privilege of working with Kelly at Orion Elementary School for the past three years. In the time that I have gotten to know her, I have learned so much from her wealth of knowledge and experience. Kelly is an exceptional educator doing exceptional things. She is an extraordinary leader in the field of School Librarianship. Her dedication to the students, parents, staff and community are unmatched. She is clearly an outstanding professional, colleague and mentor among professionals.

Kelly has given back to the Anchorage community in multiple ways. She created amazing opportunities for students to grow and develop beyond the regular requirements of school work. She rose to the challenge of increasing student scores and teacher morale through supportive library reading lessons and strategic technology classes for students, families, and staff. In her capacity as librarian, she mentored and inspired more than 40 staff members each day along with over 250 students and their families. Kelly implemented innovative programs to address the needs of students and the community within Orion Elementary School. The impact of her library program has helped shaped a growing respect for the school community and a fondness for reading within students. Her media and research skills have been a great help to new and developing teachers. Kelly gives of her knowledge and time to help empower other professionals to hone their craft and flourish in the field of education.

Kelly has the ability of a professional leader in education that goes beyond the expectations of the normal school day. She has been directly involved in both mentoring youth and young teachers. She is readily available to offer encouragement, be a role model and source of information in the school for kids and adults. Kelly is a true teacher leader who provides quality experiences for students through unique partnerships with the classroom teacher. Kelly's commitment to educating students, reading, and librarianship is real. Her vision for herself and her school community is of the highest standard. Kelly's passion for her craft and dedication to the academic success and motivation of the students in our community is commendable.

Again, I highly recommend Kelly Bandoch without reservation. I have every faith in her ability to represent your organization in excellence. I hope my letter is able to give you additional insight on Kelly and why she is a formidable educator. I am happy to provide additional information should you need it. Kelly continues to impress me with her dedication to the academic and social advancement of students and families in library science, research and technology. She will be truly missed! Kelly Bandoch has my highest recommendation as an asset to any school community and I wish the very best in all of her future endeavors.

Sincerely,

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