

April 6, 2016

Dear Mr. Bradley,

It is my pleasure to recommend Laurie Smith as a teacher for our Bethel school. I can promise you that she is a teacher of extraordinary talent and dedication. I have first-hand experience with Laurie's work in my children's Noah and Emily's catechism class. She is one of those teachers that a child grows up to remember for the rest of their lives. She has that significant of an impact on her students and they learn and thrive in her classroom.

Laurie sets high, but not unreasonable, standards for her students and then she gives them the tools to succeed. She has a passion for teaching and turns mistakes into teachable moments in her classroom. Her classes were not boring to Noah and Emily she kept the children interested and engaged.

Laurie recognizes early on when a student is struggling in her class and she takes steps to give the students extra help before or after catechism class, she meets with the parents to solicit help at home to get the student up to speed. She cares deeply about each child in her class and works hard to make sure no one is left behind. Laurie makes sure parents are kept informed of their children's progress. Laurie understands that children learn in different ways and she strives to teach children in ways that help them comprehend and remember their lessons.

I hope you will seriously consider hiring Laurie to teach in our Bethel school. I am confident that you will be pleased with her abilities. Please feel free to contact me for further information at (802)234-4020 home, (802) 565-0380 cell or by email at [anntursky@yahoo.com](mailto:anntursky@yahoo.com).

Sincerely,

Ann M. Tursky