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After reviewing Rebecca Elinich's teaching portfolio, I am impressed by her dedication to her students and to the College. She demonstrates a great deal of thoughtful development, pushing herself forward and bringing new and innovative ideas to the whole College. Her work has enriched the campus and created a stronger community.

To begin with, she has a broad understanding of her field and brings a careful eye for detail to her courses. Each assignment is hands-on and walks students through the various steps. I like that the Still Life Presentation includes a draft stage, which allows students to learn and grow as they create their project. Her work on the Game Jam for high school in college students also demonstrates her dedication to student-centered learning that is fun and engaging.

Across the College community, Rebecca has also demonstrated her commitment to building a rigorous educational environment. Not only has she put in a lot of hard work on crafting thoughtful Annual Assessments to improve the MMC major, but she also shows a willingness to continue revising the curriculum to best serve students. As she steps into the role of Department Chair, she will further the educational goals of the campus and continue her hard work at the College. Even her work in the Innovation Lab shows a commitment to bringing cutting edge ideas to the school that bridge the gap between students, education, and the workforce. In fact, it's rare to see Rebecca outside of the Innovation Lab, because she always offers students her time and thoughtful guidance throughout the day.

Finally, there is clear evidence that Rebecca pushes herself further in order to better serve her students. Despite her many commitments at the College, Rebecca is finishing her PhD and continues to brush up on her own content knowledge through CodeAcademy courses. This demonstrates her desire to always better herself in order to better serve students.

Overall, Rebecca is an invaluable member of the College community— she participates in student-centered work that pushes the school forward at every level. We are lucky to have her with us.

Yours,

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