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To Whom It May Concern:

I am honored to write this letter of recommendation for Joseph (Joe) Gorton. Joe had been my Technology Teacher Assistant for the past two years. In this capacity, I have had ample opportunity to get to know him and see his many strengths.

I can always count on Joe to help both students and staff, troubleshooting on iPad, computer and over all technology issues. Joe is a great problem solver who brings such a positive energy to every project that he works on.

Joe is a very intelligent and yet humble person. He has been instrumental with our technology school clean up and he has been responsible for our schools video streaming, especially during Covid, so all students and families could see special events held at school. Joe is currently working on completing his Java programming certification through Saint Paul College.

Joe is skilled at anticipating staff and students' technology needs, and always offers support tailored to their specific situation. He is highly competent and comfortable with everything from troubleshooting on iPad issues to working on MacBooks. Joe has helped and guided staff and students through technology issues creating a supportive technology environment for all learners. Joe has been a tremendous help with setting up technology at our school. He has been able to assess items that are needed and helped find solutions as to how we are getting those items.

Joe brings great ideas, encourages open-mindedness, and finds positive solutions. He is passionate about our school's technology programming. Through his care, commitment, and enthusiasm in the area of technology he gifts our entire school community. It has been an honor and a delight to work with him! I know he will continue to make the world a better place.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Mechels
Technology Integrationist/School Assessment Coordinator
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