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Dear Prospective Employer,

From September to December 2010, Dana Saunders worked as an aide in my third grade classroom at Emma Wilson Elementary School in Chico, California. Her purpose in doing so was to fulfill some of the course requirements for her undergraduate degree through the Integrated Teacher Education Core at CSU, Chico. During the time that she worked in my classroom, Dana demonstrated outstanding skills in three areas.

First, she is very conscientious. She arrived promptly for each of her scheduled work sessions. She completed tasks quickly and efficiently. She followed instructions precisely and also demonstrated initiative when called upon do to so.

Second, she has excellent interpersonal skills. Dana was willing to work with struggling students during math and language arts lessons. Often academic difficulties go hand-in-hand with challenging behavior. When she was working with the third graders, Dana created a supportive learning environment, but also was able to help students maintain on-task and productive behavior.

Third, she is a natural teacher. When she assisted children in the classroom she modified lesson content to make it much more accessible to her students. She was able to take the guidance she received in working with her students and implement effective instructional interactions.

In my opinion, Dana Saunders is well on her way to becoming a very effective teacher. Her conscientious attitude, excellent interpersonal skills, and natural teaching ability make her an good choice for participation in your credential training program.

Sincerely,

Robert Callahan Grade 3 Teacher Emma Wilson Elementary School 1530 W. 8th Avenue Chico, CA 95926