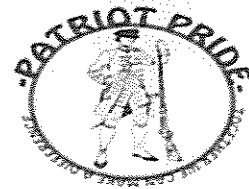


PENQUIS VALLEY SCHOOLS



Together We Can Make A Difference

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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write to you to recommend to your attention Ms. Destiny Powell. She has developed and demonstrated the skills and attitude expected of a secondary Social Studies educator.

I first met Ms. Powell in the spring of 2019, when she came to observe my classes while considering training with me as a student teacher. She took up that position in the fall of 2019. Over the course of the next several weeks, she took on more and more of my course load until the fourth week, when she was regularly planning, instructing, and evaluating seven different classes. Both her supervisory teacher and myself regularly observed Ms. Powell, she took our suggestions and used them to reflect on and improve her practice.

Ms. Powell excels in the area of activity design. I was impressed by the creativity and zeal that she brought to the field of activity adaptation. She asked questions of both her students and colleagues to check on the effectiveness of these activities, and while proud of her work, she acknowledged with grace when her plans fell short.

Ms. Powell was an integral part of planning, assisting, and executing our school's first history fair. She volunteered time and again to compile resources and guides that our students required to be successful in their efforts.

Ms. Powell exhibited the very highest ideals of professionalism. She was always on time, always professionally dressed, and while friendly with her students; she maintained the operational distance that is expected of all educational professionals. Ms. Powell was an asset to our institution, especially in her attitude. She was kind and consistently brought a positive can-do approach to any task that was set before her.

In short, I could not have asked for a more positive, growth-minded, effective student-teacher than Ms. Powell. Should you have further questions, I can be reached at (207) 943-7346 ext: 126 or at Tgillett@msad41.us

With my compliments,

T. Gillett

