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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as a character reference for Ms. Jessica Bilello. I became acquainted with Ms. Bilello as she took part in Albright College's Methods II course. During the months of October and November, Jessica observed a variety of English courses at Schuylkill Valley High School and she taught several lessons.

During her observations, Jessica maintained a professional demeanor. She and I would discuss the different approaches to not only teaching, but also discipline in the high school classroom. At the time of her observations, my 12th grade Academic courses were reading William Shakespeare's *Macbeth*. After several hours of observation, Jessica planned and implemented two lessons. Her lesson plans were also well-organized and carefully executed. Her grasp of the material was evident, and her ability to guide the students through the play was excellent. She posed many questions regarding plot, characterization, and language that allowed for terrific classroom discussion. During all of her lessons, Ms. Bilello maintained flawless classroom management.

After lessons, she and I would discuss specific elements, and she took any constructive criticism very well. I have no doubt that her student teaching experience will be excellent considering she already possesses the necessary poise, flexibility, dedication to hard work, and the willingness to help students.

Ms. Jessica Bilello will become a highly valued member of any high school faculty. Her exuberance, sense of humor, and dedication are all admirable qualities. I highly recommend her for anything she wishes to pursue.

Sincerely,

Daniel Hornberger
SV English Chairperson