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To Whom It May Concern,

RE: Letter of Reference for Mrs. Tanya Blackall

I am pleased to provide this letter of reference for Mrs. Tanya Blackall, who completed her teaching practicum under my supervision in my Grade 1 classroom at Pacific Way School. My classroom consists of 19 students with a wide range of learning and behavioural needs.

Mrs. Blackall completed a three-week practicum in September 2025, during which she observed the beginning-of-year classroom start-up and taught up to two lessons per day. During her final ten-week practicum from February to May 1, 2026, she progressively increased her teaching responsibilities until she assumed a full-time teaching role for the final five weeks. As part of her practicum responsibilities, Mrs. Blackall also participated in the preparation of Learning Updates for parents by assessing Curricular Competencies using the proficiency scale and writing comprehensive summary comments.

Throughout her placements, Mrs. Blackall demonstrated strong professional competence, continuous growth, and clear readiness for a full-time teaching position. She creates a positive, well-managed classroom environment through consistent routines, clear expectations, and strong rapport with students. Her calm, respectful manner results in high levels of student engagement and cooperation.

Mrs. Blackall plans and delivers engaging, well-structured lessons using a variety of instructional strategies to meet the needs of diverse learners. She is reflective in her teaching practice and responds effectively to feedback. Her assessment practices include purposeful use of both formative and summative tools, such as observations, checklists, rubrics, and anecdotal notes, to guide instruction and support student learning.

Professionally, Mrs. Blackall is highly organized, reliable, and proactive. She consistently arrived well prepared, often planning instruction well in advance, and willingly assumed additional responsibilities while collaborating effectively with colleagues.

I recommend Mrs. Blackall without reservation and am confident that she would be an excellent addition to any school community.

Sincerely,

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