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To Whom It May Concern:

I have a great deal of respect and praise for Cadence Mitchell who seeks a teaching position in secondary English and Drama. As her university supervisor from Cal Poly, I have observed Cadence in both classes and know her skill in teaching these subjects. As a graduate of Cal Poly's School of Education and its excellent credential program, any district that hires Cadence can be assured she will be an outstanding instructor in delivering Common Core standards.

Cadence has student taught both Introduction to Drama and Advanced Drama. She directed the school's production of *High School Musical* presented last December, receiving high praise from the staff and community of Nipomo. She is creative and thoughtful in planning units of study for her classes, such as presentations of Children's Literature and Chair Duets and many others. As a former drama student at Nipomo High School herself, she understands what students experience in drama classes and the rigors of rehearsals. She understands what it takes to successfully perform and develop into an advanced drama student by memorizing lines and to develop a sense of timing in the interaction of actors.

Cadence brings her dramatic energy into the English classroom and especially shines when the literature selection is a play or other dramatic piece. Currently, she is teaching *Romeo & Juliet* to ninth-graders and is able to explain and interpret very difficult language so students comprehend and even enjoy the plot and characters in Shakespeare's play. She has advanced skill in the use of technology and uses YouTube videos, Prezi presentations and PowerPoint slides to present and enhance her lessons. She brings the element of drama into the English classroom, making lessons interesting and engaging. With Cadence, a school will gain one teacher to teach two subjects and she will create an excellent drama program for students and the community.

Please call me if you have any questions or need more information: 805-466-1068.

Yours truly,

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