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Subject: Letter of Recommendation
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To: Jessica Benson jessica.benson@aisutah.org



To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure to strongly recommend Jessica Denny Benson for the role that she is seeking.

My name is Cheryl Johnson, and I am a parent of a 1st Grade student that Miss Jessica mentored and taught. My personal experience with Jessica has been nothing short of remarkable, and the knowledge and skills she has helped develop in my child over the last year are immeasurable.

As someone who thrives on transparency and involvement, I have felt my expectations met and exceeded in Jessica's ability to be honest regarding my child's experience in the classroom daily. Jessica truly cares for the wellbeing of her students, and she has continuously exhibited this through her holistic focus on her students.

In her role as a Teacher's Assistant Jessica noticed gaps in learning as the teacher she helped was regularly gone and took no time to get to know the children and their parents. There was so much work to be done when the teacher decided to walk away from her role and leave our children stranded.

Jessica stepped into the impossible role and elevated the classroom experience to a level that the parents did not even know was possible. She was spending much of her own money to create an exciting classroom environment. Jessica made the challenge that faced her look like child's play.

Our children started to read at a level of at least one grade level higher, and their love for Math and Science began to implode. She brought the learning of world cultures and the arts to life in the classroom. She successfully raised money for the children to build a computer and helped the kids put on several stage plays. All of the parents noticed how through her plays even the extremely introverted kids began to flourish as they performed on the stage with such confidence. Jessica brought together all of the parents as a school family and truly made the classroom a magical place.

I could probably write a book about how Jessica had cared for my daughter, from the time last winter when she forgot to bring her gloves to school, and Jessica went out of her way to give her some mittens for the playground. To the time when my little one fell in the playground ripping her new glitter pants, and Jessica searched every online outlet to replace them to prove to my child that material things are replaceable, but my little one was not. I have so many other stories like this and am confident that many of the other parents do too. Thinking about the love and kindness that Jessica shows to her students brings tears to my eyes.

It breaks my heart that things turned out the way they did at AISU because it was a magical place with so many awesome people like Jessica. I know that Jessica will be an asset to any organization that employs her, and I am genuinely jealous to know that someone else will be enjoying a piece of her magic. My family will forever be indebted to her for the educational and life skills foundation that she helped nurture and instill in my little one. If you need more information or specific examples, please do not hesitate to contact me at 801-828-8533 or Sharon at 801-654-8774. As a recommendation letter likely only provides a snapshot of Jessica's talents and achievements, I would be happy to further elaborate on my time working with Jessica.

Sincerely,

Cheryl and Grandma Sharon Johnson

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