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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to recommend Nicole Arencibia for a teaching position in your school district. I have come to know Nicole quite well through our interactions. She was my student for three courses. In addition, this spring I had the pleasure to serve as Nicole's education mentor during her student teaching.

Nicole has been a great presence in my classes. Her passion and commitment to teaching has been constant throughout our interactions. She distinguished herself through creativity and experiences she brought to our classroom activities and discussions. The courses she attended provided Nicole with critical skills needed for a future educator. She learned how to create and manage a supportive classroom environment conducive to student learning. She practiced various formative and summative assessments and learned how to connect assessment results to meaningful instructional recommendations. In addition, she practiced differentiating lesson plans and was exposed to various instructional strategies designed to accommodate diverse learners and ensure all students have meaningful access to her instruction.

I was very pleased to see Nicole apply all of these skills during her student teaching. Nicole planned creative, engaging, and relevant lessons for her students throughout the semester. She demonstrated understanding of measurable learning objectives and designed relevant assessments to measure those objectives. Nicole was very attentive and supportive of her students. She continuously engaged them in the learning process and provided supportive feedback throughout her lessons. The Art classroom can quickly become a chaotic environment. Nicole, however, frequently used effective classroom management procedures such as clear expectations and routines, attention signals, and positive reinforcement to create a predictable and organized environment for her students.

In addition to her excellent academic performance, Nicole is a striving artist who seeks opportunities to display her art work. Having a strong desire to succeed, a creative and pleasant personality, and a good educational background, I believe that she will be a supportive and inspiring teacher. I therefore give my sincere recommendation for Nicole Arencibia to be considered for a teaching position in your district.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Talida State, Ph.D.