

February 10, 2014

To whom it may concern:

I write this letter in recommendation of Andrew Roche, with whom I worked from August until December of 2013. I serve as the Assistant Head for Academics at Cheshire Academy, where Andrew was employed teaching English, coaching and working in the dorm.

Andrew is an intelligent and likeable young man, who has, due to his life as a faculty child in a boarding school, a strong familiarity with independent school life. He is at ease on campus, enjoys the feel of school, and is – without question – one of those teachers who are always willing to contribute, go the extra mile, and do whatever is asked – and sometimes what is not.

Andrew has a solid command of the English content and skills, and is both well organized and committed to excellence in the classroom. Like all new teachers, he is working hard on developing the skills to properly manage the balance between freedom and authority in the classroom, and was making significant strides prior to his departure.

Andrew is committed to his craft, and is willing to work hard to continue to improve. He is widely read, understands writing well, connects textual analysis to real world events, and believes in the development of the student.

As to his co-curricular contribution, Andrew is a passionate football and lacrosse coach, and when dropped into soccer here at CA (a sport with which he was not familiar), he coached with enthusiasm and gusto. He is also committed to his work as an advisor, and will give all he has in support of his students.

In sum, Andrew Roche is a bright and dedicated teacher, who is committed to professional growth, and believes in expending maximum effort on behalf of his students.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

With all sincerity,

Anthony Kandel

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