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To Whom it may concern,

It is my pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for Katharine Prendergast. I worked with Katharine as her University Supervisor at the University of Illinois. Throughout the fall semester of 2010, I observed and conferred with Katharine on a weekly basis. During this period, she taught in a Third Grade classroom at Barkstall Elementary School in Champaign, Illinois.

Although this facet of the student teaching experience provided limited opportunity for instruction, I found Katharine to be willing and capable of implementing lessons to the entire class. She responded to the students with patience and genuinely saw the best in every child. Katharine's teaching experiences have prepared her well to adapt to the range of needs among students in an elementary classroom.

Katharine was professional, punctual, and demonstrated a fundamental understanding of the techniques and art of teaching. The lessons I observed were well thought out lessons that actively engaged the students. During this experience, Katharine was reflective about her classroom performance. I enjoyed conferencing with her following an observation. She was able to reflect upon her lesson design and implementation, as well as the impact it had on the students. Katharine was both willing to give and receive ideas to improve her teaching.

In conclusion, Katharine Prendergast is an enthusiastic and hard working individual. Based on these traits, I believe that she will work hard to be an active member of your school's faculty. If I can be of any assistance in your consideration of her candidacy, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at 217-367-9830.

Sincerely,

Ann Sargent

Clinical Supervisor