

Dr. Bookwalter

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Fellow Educators,

My name is Robin Regan and I have taught preschool at the Laureate School in San Luis Obispo, California for the past 16 years and I am composing this letter of recommendation for Dr. Keith Bookwalter. His educational philosophy complimented and enhanced our school's tradition of Montessori-based learning and positive discipline. His gentle leadership and sense of caring for others showed in all of his interactions with the staff, students, and parents.

Dr. Bookwalter offered a lot of support and guidance to teachers. He designed staff meetings that were relevant and succinct, creating a positive environment that included points on educational and professional development for teachers. Dr. Bookwalter visited classrooms regularly and gave positive feedback and offered suggestions. He designed curriculum that was based on his educational philosophy that centered on the whole child and incorporated the idea that all children could reach their optimum educational potential. One characteristic that I personally admired about Dr. Bookwalter was his ability to listen to the concerns of the staff and act upon those suggestions which would benefit the school.

Dr. Bookwalter would start each school morning by greeting staff and families as they walked on campus. He was always friendly, cheerful, and professional (as he always wore a suit and tie). Parents expressed that he was always available and supportive of their concerns. Furthermore, parents felt confident that student learning was the top priority at the Laureate.

Students were his highest focus. Dr. Bookwalter, by visiting classrooms each day, insured that students were meeting their highest scholastic and personal potential. He made a commitment to get to know each student personally, often asking questions and inquiring about tasks that they were doing and other interests. A special tradition that Dr. Bookwalter had was to stop by daily and have lunch with the students, engaging in conversations and establishing rapport. The students loved this special time with him.

Overall, Dr. Bookwalter established the framework for our wonderful school. His quiet leadership encompassed a warm, caring environment that was wholeheartedly felt by staff, students, and parents. I highly recommend Dr. Bookwalter as a great candidate for a position of leadership for any educational institution looking for a top notch educator.

Sincerely,  
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