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To Whom it May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I draft this letter in support of Abigail Brown's admission into International School Services. She has worked at Bellevue Elementary school in Richmond, VA for the past three years as a fifth-grade teacher. Since the 2018-2019 school year, I have had the opportunity to serve as her assistant principal. During this time, I watched her evolve into an effective educator. For the past two years, she has taught in the inclusion classroom that consisted of students with disabilities, English language learners, and general education students. Her detailed-oriented spirit coupled with her desire to provide adequate and appropriate instruction to all her students creates an environment where students feel comfortable, supported, and successful.

It is such a joy to observe Abigail in her element of teaching and learning. She takes teaching personally and over prepares lessons to ensure that content is comprehensive, rigorous, and exciting. She develops an inclusive classroom through the use of embracive pedagogy to include peer collaboration, observations and experiments, and language and literature-based activities. During the instructional block across all content areas, students are engrossed in activities to include but not limited to, role-playing and class performances; participating in book clubs; creating websites; writing and performing monologues; conducting science experiments, and participating in virtual field trips. Ms. Brown is dedicated to providing high-quality core instruction to her students on a daily basis. She works hard to build relationships with her students and parents while embracing a sense of family in her classroom. Her extremely organized demeanor creates a learning environment where classroom rituals, routines, and positive student behaviors are emphasized.

Abigail Brown has always been a leader of her own learning and invests time and effort in her own growth and development. That is evident by her ability to learn Spanish on her own through studying and social practice. She also studied to become conversational in French while in college. Her strong interest in the science of language has recently propelled her to pursue an English as a Second Language endorsement at the University of Virginia. Concurrently, she has



also taken on the task of learning the Korean language. I am confident that her love for languages will boost her commitment to be successful at this endeavor.

Ms. Abigail Brown continues to impress me with her knowledge, skill level, and dedication to her profession. She is self-driven, motivated, and disciplined. I am certain that her enthusiasm, focus, and love for learning will align with your program's expectations. She is absolutely deserving of admission into the International School Services and I hope that she will be given the opportunity to continue to showcase her extensive talents. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

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