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To Whom it May Concern,

It is my great pleasure to recommend to you Mallory Goetz. Mallory has worked at The International School of Panama for one and a half years and will finish her contract with us in June, 2013. During this time I have worked with Mallory as the Middle School Principal.

Without wishing to sound overly effusive, I would like to convey what an outstanding job Mallory has done in her position as Librarian. First and foremost, Mallory would very much want to state that she is a Teacher-Librarian. This is the secret to her success in my opinion. Mallory understands how library services should be implemented in order to best support students and teachers.

Mallory has the responsibility of managing the day-to-day operations of the library which include, but is not limited to, developing and handling the budget, acquiring resources (hard copies and on-line), and forming part of a team to develop an information literacy curriculum and proficiency indicators. I have always found Mallory to be exceptionally responsive to requests from students and teachers. In fact, I believe she gets more done in one day than most of us hope to accomplish.

Mallory has excellent communication and interpersonal skills. She has led several PLC's and other professional development workshops. She has also worked with teachers one on one to provide training in technology integration in the classroom. Working in collaboration with teachers, she has provided all of our middle school students training in research skills and proper citations. Mallory also presented at Parent Coffee's on ways parents can support their children at home when they are doing research. Thanks to Mallory our school web page now has an important link to the MS/HS Library which contains all of the on-line resources students, teachers and parents can access.

During her first year at ISP Mallory was faced with the challenge of moving from the old library facilities into the new space. Without hesitation and with considerable enthusiasm and patience, the move was made without great disruption. Our new library is now a place that is busy with students throughout the day. It is common to find teachers with groups of students using the library as a staging point for research projects, presentations, and small group work. It's a place where book swaps take place, book sales are organized, and students gather at lunch time to watch films about movies, the list goes on.

In her brief time at ISP Mallory has built a vibrant and vital hub of school activity and resources. She is extremely well organized. She is bright, articulate, and hardworking. While we will miss her very much at ISP we also wish her the best for what is sure to be a very bright future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Diane Guevara'.

Diane Guevara
Middle School Principal
The International School of Panama