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**EMU - Education Dept., 1200 Park Rd.,
 Harrisonburg, VA 22802**

CHARACTER REFERENCE FOR ADMISSION TO STUDENT TEACHING

Student's Name _____ has applied for admission to student teaching.

Major and Licensure Area(s) _____

On the basis of your knowledge of the candidate, and the following dispositions, please rate the **consistency** and **quality** of the candidate's ability to demonstrate each disposition.
 3-Exemplary demonstration of this trait or behavior
 2-Competent demonstration of this trait or behavior
 1-Unacceptable demonstration of this trait or behavior
 n/o – not observed

Dispositions of Caring, Reflective Practitioners

Caring About Personal and Professional Responsibility

1. demonstrates professional responsibility (i.e. is consistent and punctual in attendance, comes to class prepared, meets deadlines, trustworthy, presents positive outlook, meets appropriate expectations regarding appearance)	3	2	1	n/o
2. takes responsibility for actions	3	2	1	n/o
3. regulates personal emotions	3	2	1	n/o
4. maintains collaborative, positive relationships with colleagues	3	2	1	n/o
5. develops positive relationships with those in authority	3	2	1	n/o
6. shows mature judgment	3	2	1	n/o
7. holds high expectations for all students	3	2	1	n/o

Caring About Relationships in Learning Communities:

1. considers multiple perspectives (listens actively, responds well to criticism or suggestions)	3	2	1	n/o
2. promotes compassionate and just learning environments	3	2	1	n/o
3. demonstrates passion/enthusiasm about learning and teaching	3	2	1	n/o
4. values diversity (eager to work with persons from a variety of perspectives and cultural/ethnic groups)	3	2	1	n/o

Caring About Reflective Practice:

1. makes decisions based upon reflection, research, and best practice	3	2	1	n/o
2. uses critical thinking to self-assess, to evaluate progress and to set realistic goals	3	2	1	n/o
3. commits to planning, teaching, assessment, and reflection as an ongoing process to enhance student learning	3	2	1	n/o

(over)

Please check the correct statement and provide additional comments.

- I recommend this person for admission to student teaching. **Explain below.**
- I recommend this person with reservations for admission to student teaching. **Explain below.**
- I do not recommend this person for admission to student teaching. **Explain below.**

Comments:

Title/Relationship to Student

Printed Name

- I authorize EMU's Education Department to identify me as the source of this reference.
- I **do not** authorize EMU's Education Department to identify me as the source of this reference.

Signature

Date

Education Program Coordinator Signature

Date