To Whom It May Concern:

I am very pleased to recommend Jacquelyn Sarowatz for an educator position. Jacquelyn was one of my classroom paraprofessionals during the 2018-2019 school year. Jacquelyn has gained experience with working with students in my kindergarten through second grade cross categorical classroom.

While working in my classroom, both Jacquelyn's independence and willingness to collaborate served her well. She worked effectively with all students teaching lessons that consistently resulted in students' learning and Individual Educational Plan Goals being met. Jacquelyn readily adjusted the plan in response to students' needs and behaviors. Jacquelyn was eager to learn American Sign Language, Assistive Augmentative Communication Technology, Sensory Input Techniques, and behavior plans and implementation. She built an outstanding rapport with not only the student that she was assigned to but for all students within both the special education classroom and the general education classroom she pushed into. Jacquelyn spent her own time outside the working hours to help create teaching materials and bulletin boards that aligned with Illinois state standards.

The classroom environment would not have been the same without Jacquelyn which is why I am extremely confident to say that she will be a true asset for any school she works for. Jacquelyn is confident, knowledgeable and strives to be the best version of herself inside and outside of the classroom. Jacquelyn is well prepared to begin her teaching career. Please feel free to contact me at (708) 945-2320 or at <u>nicolefcarella@lewisu.edu</u> for more information.

Sincerely,

Nicole Carella