



**Lincoln Trail Elementary School**

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To whom it may concern:

It has been my privilege to work with Frances Rickard this semester. Frances did her Early Field Experience in my 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom at Lincoln Trail School in Mahomet, Illinois in the Fall of 2009. She experienced a self-contained class and had the opportunity to teach all subject areas. She also had the opportunity to work in an inclusive classroom with students with learning disabilities in reading, math and writing as well as a student with Asperger Syndrome. Frances also attended parent/teacher conferences in November and participated in the individual student conferences.

Frances is a very positive teacher. Her enthusiasm for teaching is apparent and the children can't help but get excited about the lessons. Frances' lessons often integrate technology. She has created several presentations using Power Point as well as accessed and used sources from the internet. Frances planned and implemented a lesson using a Classroom Response System. She is very knowledgeable about technology and is always looking for ways to bring it into the classroom. Frances has a great rapport with her students. She is authoritative and manages the classroom very well. I highly recommend Frances Rickard for a teaching position in your school.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kara Allison". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Kara Allison