

April 23, 2012

Letter of recommendation for Vincent Lindquist

It is with great pleasure that I offer this letter of recommendation for **Vincent Lindquist** in his pursuit of a teaching position with your school system. As the Assistant Director of Admissions and the Visual Coordinator with the MSU Spartan Marching Band (SMB), I have had the opportunity to work extensively with Mr. Lindquist in a variety of settings during the past five years.

Our initial interactions were centered on his academic success at Owosso High School. I chaired the committee that offered Mr. Lindquist admission to Michigan State in 2007. He was an accomplished trumpet player who initially intended to major in music at MSU. It was through his membership in one of the university's most visible musical ensembles, namely the Spartan Marching Band, which offered me the opportunity to observe the skills and characteristics that set him apart from his peers and make him a strong candidate for consideration.

As a trumpet squad leader for two years in the Spartan Band, Mr. Lindquist continually impressed me with the quiet, confident demeanor that he employed in working with his peers. His ability to assess the dynamics of situations and then develop viable action plans demonstrated the sense of maturity and responsibility that are necessary to be a successful teacher. Throughout his membership in the SMB, Mr. Lindquist was someone who could always be counted on to provide a perspective that was reliable and well-informed. As a squad lead, he was responsible for creating and implementing an instructional curriculum for a subsection of students that he was assigned to lead. Primary in his educational philosophy was the concern that he had for others; developing and maintaining positive relationships was never been sacrificed, no matter how challenging the situation. The value for the uniqueness of each individual was evident in his teaching strategies with younger members. He was continually cognizant that his peers employed different learning styles, and as a result, he utilized multiple instructional strategies to meet those needs. Most importantly, it was Mr. Lindquist's awareness of the need to role model that provided the foundation for his effectiveness as a leader and educator. Ultimately, his communication skills and ability to influence others helped move the Spartan Band, and especially the SMB trumpet section, to where it is today.

In closing, it is with great confidence that I provide this recommendation for Vincent Lindquist. Please feel free to contact me at 517-355-9719 if you would like further information about his qualifications.

Sincerely,

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