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To whom it may concern,

My name is Holly Stewart, and I am the Instructional Reading Coach at Dellview Elementary. In my position, I have had the opportunity to be in Ashley Mathews' classroom since she came to Dellview year before last. It's always a pleasure for me to get to work with Mrs. Mathews. You can tell right away that hers is a student centered classroom. She is always trying new ways to keep her students engaged in learning, and she is constantly revamping instruction so that the students get the most they possibly can out of each lesson. Her teaching philosophy is in line with current best practice, and she puts in many dedicated hours making sure her lesson plans are in depth and rigorous. At the same time, she sees the importance of meeting students where they are and strives to differentiate in work stations and groupings to make sure that every child gets what they need.

It will definitely be a loss for Dellview if Mrs. Mathews transfers to another North East school, but we are happy to wish her well in her new endeavors. Any school in our district would be lucky to have such a dedicated teacher as Mrs. Mathews.

Sincerely,

Holly Stewart

Dellview Instructional Reading Coach