Capital High School 4851 Paseo Del Sol Santa Fe, NM 87507

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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to recommend Alexandra (Alex) Robertson for the position of Associate Principal at Capital High School (CHS). Eight years ago I came to Santa Fe as an inexperienced teacher with the need for guidance in my new profession at Ortiz Middle School (OMS). Alex was the first teacher who I felt I could reach out to for help when designing lesson plans, navigating school culture, and improving classroom management. She was also one of my critics when I needed it the most, but her pedagogical knowledge and problem-solving skills were an excellent resource. She was also responsible for helping me craft my vision of education. Her willingness to help teachers in need demonstrates the dedication needed to help us all improve regardless of expertise or tenure. She continued to be an asset to the community as she moved to Capital High School, taking on more complex leadership roles and improving in the classroom.

Throughout my career at OMS and CHS, I have seen her grow as a teacher by placing students at the center of the classroom empowering them to take ownership of their learning. Her experience will extend beyond the classroom as our school continues to improve in areas like student engagement, which is desperately needed to re-engage our students after the pandemic. Furthermore, Alex's dedication to the AVID program as a teacher and Site Coordinator has demonstrated her ability to maintain a clear overall vision for the program while also leading a large team. This leadership position has given her the opportunity to handle conflict and serve as the face of the school when our AVID Demonstration School status needed recertification.

I can say with great confidence that Alex possesses the skills, abilities, and demeanor to be an inspiring and highly effective administrator at Capital High School. I have known Alex as a teacher and friend, but I am absolutely confident that she will be a true asset to this learning community and will serve with great vigor for years to come.

If you would like to discuss this letter or other questions further, please contact me by phone at (309) 339-9402 or by email at jarbogast2012@gmail.com.

Respectfully,

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