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To Whom It May Concern:

Heather Olvey was employed as the Teacher of our Transitional 3's at First Christian Preschool for two years. The dates were August 2011 until May 2013. In addition, she substituted for our school prior to those dates. She resigned on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013, in order to return to school to pursue a teaching degree.

During her tenure here, Heather worked to develop a curriculum that was designed for older or more mature 3's. She implemented Handwriting Without Tears for this age group on a level that was appropriate for their abilities. In addition, she incorporated a strong emphasis on nature and the environment, which included walks to the church gardens and the inclusion of a nature center outside the windows in the room. The children enjoyed watching birds feed or build nests and a colorful pinwheel spinning in the breeze. They also created a Fairy Garden which was delightful. Animals were frequent visitors to Ms. Heather's Classroom. The children enjoyed a sense of ownership in the room and were always proud to show their parents.

Heather was a reliable employee, always on time and prepared for the day. When she had to be absent, she lined up a substitute and left good lesson plans. The other staff members were fond of Heather and she was a team player, pitching in to work afternoon sessions when we needed the extra help.

In short, Heather Olvey has been an outstanding member of our staff and would be a valuable asset to any organization. Please call if I can answer any questions!

Sincerely,

**Becky Cornett** 

Director, First Christian Preschool