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To Whom It May Concern:

This is a letter of recommendation for Heather Olvey who is applying for an English Language Arts education position in your district. I have known Heather since she was a student in my courses in Instructional Skills and Classroom Management, Adolescent Literature, and Literary Analysis in the Secondary English Classroom. I am also her advisor as she completes her program of study for the Masters of Education degree.

Heather is an outstanding student. In addition, she has other characteristics which demonstrate her potential. In the classes I teach, I rely a great deal on cooperative activities, peer interaction, and creative planning. Heather excels in these. Her field experience in a diverse school setting has contributed to building her confidence in the classroom. Heather was the graduate assistant in Teacher Education during her time at UALR. She has co-written articles and chapters and co-edited a book under my supervision. She has also presented with faculty at several regional and national conferences. She has assumed a teaching assistant role in all my classes while she earns her degree. She is a stellar candidate.

Heather also demonstrates leadership qualities. Her written and oral presentations were outstanding. As a future English teacher, she is seeking to act as a leader in active learning, and this has permeated her course of study. The innovative program she has participated in provides another plus for her future success.

I recommend Heather Olvey highly, and you can feel free to contact me for further information at [jahayn@ualr.edu](mailto:jahayn@ualr.edu) or by phone at 501-569-8928.

Sincerely,

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