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To Whom It May Concern:

As an elementary school counselor at Cedar Mill Elementary School, I have been fortunate to have Dhara Sheth as my student intern this year. I am delighted to recommend her for any school counseling position.

Dhara is a natural counselor. She is devoted to providing an environment where students feel comfortable discussing various issues around academic success, positive peer relationships, anti-bullying concerns, college and career readiness as well as family concerns. She has been an active part in providing classroom lessons on anti-bullying, group cooperation activities as well as college and career readiness.

She has also become a respected member of our staff at Cedar Mill. She has been flexible in attending to issues that have suddenly arisen with teachers as well as students. She is adept at addressing student concerns and has done an excellent job facilitating the problem solving process. I feel confident that she would be able to attend any issues with knowledge and respect for all parties.

Dhara brings an international perspective. As a native of India, she brings empathy, understanding and expertise in working with ELL students as well as different aspects of cultural competence. She is able to share with students and staff alike.

Dhara has an impeccable work ethic. She consistently strives to do her best in all aspects of her job. She researches and spends the time needed in discovering curriculum that enhances and reinforces the current curriculum used in classroom guidance and small groups. She seeks out teachers and students to ensure that communication is clear and to work collaboratively to ensure student success.

Dhara's drive, passion and caliber would be an asset to any school. I recommend her without reservation.

Sincerely,

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District Goal for 2010-15:

All students will show continuous progress toward their personal learning goals, developed in collaboration with teachers and parents, and will be prepared for post-secondary education and career success.

The Beaverton School District recognizes the diversity and worth of all individuals and groups. It is the policy of the Beaverton School District that there will be no discrimination or harassment of individuals or groups based on race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, marital status, age, veterans' status, genetic information or disability in any educational programs, activities or employment.

Meta del Distrito para el Período 2010-15:

Todos los estudiantes mostrarán progreso continuo hacia sus metas de aprendizaje personal, desarrollado en colaboración con maestros y padres, y serán preparados para su educación post-secundaria/bachillerato y éxito profesional.