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To Whom It May Concern:

VINCENT (Vinnie) CHURCH has asked that I write him a letter of recommendation for your review. This I do without hesitation or reservation. I have known Vincent, both as a teacher and as a principal, during his three year tenure with the Ironwood Area School District's Physical Education program. He has done a wonderful job with the students he instructs. I am more than honored to send this correspondence to your committee for review. I am also extremely confident that he would prove an excellent addition to your pool of candidates.

Mr. Church has a split physical education teaching assignment. He teaches elementary, middle and high school level students, both male and female. Besides the mandatory physical education classes, he also teaches high school "Lifetime Fitness" classes to students who chose those high school electives. Vinnie is organized and dedicated to his classroom. He manages the equipment and supplies the students use with the utmost integrity. Maintaining the gymnasiums that he occupies are a joint effort: he makes certain that the students take responsibility for the gym floor, locker room areas and equipment as well. This accountability is a big part of his character-building effort he tries to instill among his students.

The most impressive aspect of Vinnie Church's capacity of teaching is what he is trying to instill with those students with whom he instructs. Students are given a set of standards by which he is trying to have them abide while they under his tutelage. These are THE MR. CHURCH RULES: Do what is Right. Do it the best that you can. Do treat others the way you want to be treated. This simple teaching tool is used daily by students that Vinnie teaches. It is indicative of Vinnie Church's character and dedication to instilling core values by which students can live.

Vinnie Church is also a member of our school's coaching community. He is one of the Assistant Varsity Football coaches, as well as a Middle School Boys Basketball coach. He volunteers to assist many student activities during the school year and always has a smile while doing any of these things.

I would strongly recommend Mr. Vincent Church for any teaching position for which he is academically qualified. He is a fine example of what a Physical Education teacher should be. Please feel free to contact me should you need more information regarding this matter. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Kanipes; MS-HS Principal

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