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To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is written in support of Michelle Carpenter who seeks a position as instrumental music teacher at your school. I have known Michelle for four years I am happy to give this recommendation based on my observations.

Michelle completed her degree in Music Education at Ohio University in December 2015. In her four years here, she has been outstanding. She performed in two of the instrumental music ensembles in the Ohio University School of Music that I direct; the Symphonic Band, and the Marching 110. In both ensembles, she excelled both in her musicianship and in her leadership. In the Marching 110, she served as music section leader of the 28-member clarinet section. In that capacity, she was responsible for the overall sound, memorization, and execution of music. In that role, she was exceptional. She not only set a great example - her peers respected her musicianship, work ethic and her overall commitment to excellence.

As a student, Michelle is an excellent academician – always diligent in her studies, as evidenced by her transcript. I had her as a student in the Basic Conducting class and Instrumental Music Methods. She was a model student in both. During her junior year, she was selected as an Honors Student Conductor where she conducted the Symphonic Band in concert. She has been able to balance academic rigor with her participation in musical ensembles. Michelle possesses an easy-going and pleasant personality with a great sense of humor. I know you will be highly impressed with her.

I offer you this high recommendation for Michelle Carpenter for a position in your school. She would make a great faculty member and a wonderful colleague. If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Richard Suk'.

Richard Suk, Ed.D.
Professor of Music