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To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Daniel J. Cook , an Art Teacher at Manheim Central High School, has asked me to write a letter of reference and recommendation on his behalf and I am pleased to do so. I have known and worked with Mr. Cook, here at Manheim Central, from 2002-2011. Simply stated, Dan Cook is both an *amazing* artist and art teacher.

Dan is huge asset to the Manheim Central Art Department. Even though he is the youngest member of our department, he has been appointed to leadership responsibilities. Dan has been the Manheim Central Art Department's Instructional Facilitator for two years. His attention to detail and impeccable organizational skills guided our department through task force, curriculum writing and budgetary concerns. His intentions are genuine and all revolve around the pursuit of creating the best art department for all students grades K-12.

Dan works extremely well with all students. He often works and creates side by side with those in his class. He is a practicing artist, so he quickly earns the respect and trust of his young artists. Because of this, Dan Cook has created a classroom where students feel accepted and supported. This allows him the ability to push them to develop their own creative process through rigorous writing, researching, creating and reflecting.

Dan is dedicated to his students and their futures. He guides them in both their academic and career goals. When students are interested in attending art school, he works extremely hard to promote student success and a positive outcome. He takes time to individually review student's portfolios, applications and prepare them for interviews with prospective schools.

Mr. Cook is an incredible art teacher. He is a valuable colleague and friend who continues to inspire both his students and those he works with to be the best that they can be. I feel that he would be a great asset to any art department.

Sincerely

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