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To whom it may concern,

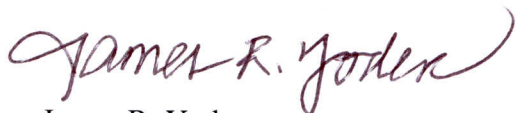
It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for Scott Benedict. I have known Mr. Benedict since August 2005 when he was first hired as a Spanish teacher in the Clark County School District (CCSD).

I have had the distinct privilege of knowing and working with Mr. Benedict both as the CCSD foreign language coordinator and as an observer of his many talents as a presenter. I have relied on him for creative leadership and expertise in the area of professional development and curriculum delivery. He has served the foreign language profession as a classroom teacher, a professional resource and as a presenter at national, regional and local levels.

Without exception and in every instance, Mr. Benedict demonstrates his skills as an educator. He understands that professional knowledge and skill, the ability to communicate, and the building of relationships are the cornerstones of teaching and learning. He has worked to provide his students with a standards-based curriculum and is highly skilled in assessing student learning based on those standards. Mr. Benedict is one of the few foreign language teachers in the District who has moved to a standards-based grading system that more clearly describes the achievement of his students. He demonstrates careful and intelligent planning coupled with a warmth and zest for teaching that serves both his students and his colleagues, and Mr. Benedict is happy and productive working as a team member. With intelligence, joy and commitment, Mr. Benedict proves himself to be of special value in any effort on behalf of students and teachers.

Mr. Scott Benedict will be a wonderful asset to any organization or effort. He comes to you with my highest recommendation.

Sincerely,



James R. Yoder
Coordinator, K-12 Foreign Language

