



E1B Education Campus

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to recommend Darlene Borchert as a candidate for educational leadership opportunities. During her time at Erie 1 BOCES, Darlene has consistently demonstrated a strong commitment to student success, instructional excellence, and continuous professional growth. She possesses the leadership skills, collaborative mindset, and dedication necessary to be an effective educational administrator.

Darlene has demonstrated exceptional interest in advancing Career and Technical Education (CTE) and integrated academics through her various roles within our organization. She has proven herself to be a dedicated and innovative educator, successfully leading cross-curricular initiatives and expanding work-based learning opportunities for students across multiple programs.

In her current role, Darlene has contributed to professional learning initiatives, the development of articulated college credit agreements, curriculum alignment for program approval, and the strengthening of partnerships that benefit students and programs alike. Her district-level understanding of curriculum, instruction, and program development would be an asset to any educational organization.

In addition, Darlene has served as an Assistant Principal in our Extended School Year (ESY) programming, supporting services for students with disabilities. Through this work, she has collaborated with special education staff, related service providers, families, and administrators to ensure students receive appropriate supports and high-quality programming. This experience has strengthened her understanding of special education practices and inclusive educational programming.

Darlene is a knowledgeable educator, a thoughtful leader, and a strong advocate for students. I am confident she will be a valuable contributor to any Educational Administration cohort and future leadership role.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Tuz", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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