



# JOHN F. KENNEDY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to recommend Jennifer DeGiovanni for an opportunity she may be pursuing in the field of early childhood education. I have worked with Ms. DeGiovanni this school year at John F. Kennedy Elementary School through my role as building principal. Throughout this time, Jen has consistently demonstrated a dedication to honing her craft of early childhood education and she positively contributes to our school community.

Ms. DeGiovanni possesses a blend of creativity, organization, and expertise that makes her a valuable asset to our JFK team. She has been a leader and advocate for high quality teaching practices and intentional play within the preschool department. She collaborates with her grade level partner and seeks ways to engage students in authentic experiences beyond the traditional classroom setting to inspire and challenge her students. Whether it's designing hands-on learning activities, or expanding possibilities through special guests and community partnerships, Ms. DeGiovanni strives to create a dynamic and stimulating environment where young learners can develop curiosity and independence.

While Ms. DeGiovanni works to lay a solid foundation for her young students' future academic and personal success, she also makes contributions to our school community. This year she volunteered as a member of our district PDEC committee as we work to re-imagine our teacher evaluation system. She continues to be a leader in our preschool staff in developing curriculum for intentional play, for the use of "tuff trays" as a provocation for instruction, and she was instrumental in the recent revision of the preschool report card. Additionally, Ms. DeGiovanni was very involved in planning and constructing a dynamic sensory hallway for our school community.

In conclusion, I have confidence in Ms. DeGiovanni's abilities and I believe that she would be an asset to any educational institution. Her innovation, drive, and dedication to young learners' growth and development make her a skilled preschool teacher. I support her pursuit of new opportunities and am confident that she will continue to make a positive impact wherever she goes.

Sincerely,

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