



# CLINTON MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS

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To whom it may concern,

This letter serves to enthusiastically recommend to you Miss Jessica Wells as an educator of exceptional quality. Jessica and I have collaboratively directed the Clinton Middle School band program since this past July.

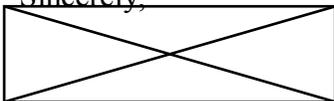
During the time that Miss Wells and I have taught together I have observed that she is highly successful in the classroom due to her thorough planning, effective instruction, and strong relationships with students. Jessica has exceptional teaching instincts and her clear expectations make her classroom management techniques highly effective. Her high level of musicianship is evident in every aspect of her teaching.

Miss Wells is a phenomenal collaborator and has been a huge asset to the music program in Clinton. The same will be true for any school lucky enough to have her as a teacher. Jessica is a very well-spoken and professional individual. Her communication with students, parents, and colleagues is honest and clear. Her patience and resolve are both unparalleled in any other individual I have taught with. Personally, I could not have asked for a better colleague.

In addition to our band program of over 200 students, Miss Wells also teaches middle school choir, general music, and drama. Considering this, she is an extremely hard worker and is more than willing to put in the many extra hours that are often required of her.

Above all, I will assert that you will find no better role model for your students than Miss Wells. I find that this is one of the most essential qualities of an educator. It is because of this and the aforementioned characteristics that I most highly recommend to you Miss Jessica Wells. If there is any further assistance I can provide, please do not hesitate to contact me at (920) 574-0337 or [bvannuland@clintonia.org](mailto:bvannuland@clintonia.org).

Sincerely,



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