

Springport Public Schools

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To Whom It May Concern:

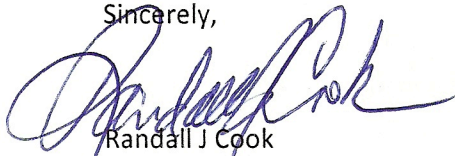
I am pleased to write a letter of recommendation on behalf of Mr. William Vliek. Mr. Vliek has served as Director of Bands for Springport Public Schools for the past 7 years. He has done an incredible job of building the instrumental music program and developing excellent musicians. Bill has high expectations for his students and they have worked to meet them. The performance levels have been exceptional. Each year, students make excellent growth in their musical skills. Even beyond that, Bill takes a personal interest in the academic success of each student. He motivates them to become proficient in their core content classes. Mr. Vliek helps guide his students to establish goals of attending college and being successful in life beyond high school. His students have tremendous respect for him and all he does.

Bill is a highly proficient classroom teacher. His lessons are well prepared. The instructional objectives are clear and student activities are congruent with those objectives. Mr. Vliek is creative in finding ways to meet the needs of all of his students to help them achieve. He incorporates cross curricular objectives as part of his instructional practices. Bill understands the critical importance of helping each student reach proficiency levels. Mr. Vliek is excellent at building relationships with his students and their parents. He uses a variety of ways to communicate with them. Bill has developed a web page for his band program. This has provided an excellent resource for his students in our community. Mr. Vliek has an active Band Booster group that supports his program.

Mr. Vliek has developed outstanding leadership in Springport Schools. He is active on the curriculum council, building committees and with union leadership. He has coached golf. Bill works well with others. He possesses an exceptional work ethic and a passion to help all students in our district become successful.

I highly recommend Mr. William Vliek for the Director of Bands position at Fowlerville. Our loss in Springport Public Schools would be Fowlerville's tremendous gain. Bill would make an excellent addition to any staff. If I can be of further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Randall J Cook
Superintendent