

Angela Brickhouse Harris is completing her Leadership Program at Longwood University. I have served as her Internship Mentor and Instructor since August 2016. For each of the three semesters of this cohort, Angela was required to take two courses, create and implement two project based learning units, and log 107 hours of administrative experiences.

During the in-class meetings, Angela engaged in the group activities that took place and displayed genuine interest in the coursework. She was prepared for the classes and was diligent with assignments.

Angela worked well with her site based supervisor at her school to create project based learning units that would benefit her school and/or district. One of the units included specific ways to better enhance parent involvement with the PTA and School and Family Engagement Committee. Increasing literacy connections to other disciplines such as art, music, library, and physical education was the focus of another PBL. She collaborated with Central Office in a third PBL that involved developing an explicit procedure for responding to and handling a school bus accident. Angela's units were detailed, and she collected data as the action steps were implemented. All of the project based learning units were relevant to the coursework and applicable to her administrative role within her school.

It was evident to me, through my visits to Angela's school and the feedback that I received from her principal, that she exhibits strong leadership skills. Administrative logs have shown varied experiences at the elementary level in particular and engagement with the community. Through her role as a Resource Teacher, Angela has gained valuable experiences in preparation for the role of an assistant principal. These include working with parents in challenging situations; observing instruction and providing feedback; handling student discipline issues; and assisting with interviewing, testing, and overall operations of the school. With

her leadership position this summer as ESY Coordinator in Summer Academy, Angela has further applied her skills in exceptional education.

I highly recommend Angela Brickhouse Harris for an assistant principal position. Her overall knowledge of the elementary curriculum, dedication, work ethic, and collaboration skills will certainly be attributes to any school in which she serves as an administrator.

If you have questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at 804-334-9609.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tammy Jones".

Tammy Jones
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