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To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter in praise of Cynthia Perrine and Nancy Wong who have provided Mandarin Chinese language instruction to the students at Incline Middle School for several years. This year, Candy and Nancy came to our school during our lunch break for 8 weeks during the months of March and April. They presented lessons in spelling and listening skills using games and dialogue. The students worked in teams and partners. They learned simple phrases and answers to questions such as: How are you?, What's your name?, How old are you?, Where are you from? and Do you like this? This helped them learn numbers and names of countries. They often sang these dialogues. The students were introduced to Chinese characters and learned basic writing skills. The students were provided with their names, phonetically matched. The meaning of the characters comprising their names was taught. They wrote these characters using a grid spread sheet, showing stroke order and proper placement of strokes.

This year 42 students participated in at least one session. The students were engaged and looked forward to participating in this unique program. It is amazing what they learned in a limited amount of time. We look forward to having this program in the future and thank Candy and Nancy for providing a valuable introduction of the Mandarin Chinese language to our students.

Sincerely,



Mary Blount, Counselor

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We, the faculty and staff of Incline Middle School,
believe all our students are capable of learning and achieving at high levels.
Therefore, we strive to promote *rigorous academics, responsible citizenship,*
and *positive character development.*