

# Penns Manor Area School District



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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of Mr. Lyon's application for employment as a music educator in your school district. As his cooperative teacher for 8 weeks, I have watched C.J. develop as a music educator. He is a bright, motivated and well-organized individual.

Mr. Lyons consistently applied himself to all tasks assigned to him and grew professionally throughout his experience. His duties included teaching small group and individual lessons, directing a concert band of 90 members as well as assisting with small ensembles. C.J. was extremely helpful in the revamping of our instrumental curriculum. He demonstrated good time management, appropriate classroom control and an awareness of the different learning styles of students.

His aural skills and ability to model on many different instruments helped Mr. Lyons successfully work with the students. His gentle manner aided him in building a good rapport with our music students as well as other teachers in the school district. C.J. also used his musical skills in our community by performing as the percussionist for a jazz band at a local church.

Mr. Lyons is an extremely hardworking, talented and motivated individual. It is without hesitation that I recommend him for employment in your school district. If I can be of any further assistance, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Paul A. Rode'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Paul A. Rode  
Director of Bands  
Penns Manor High School