

## Bryan Station High School

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in reference to Matt Watkins. I have had the privilege of co-teaching Integrated Social Studies with him for the 2016-2017 school year at Bryan Station High School, in Lexington, KY. Throughout this year I have been able to collaborate, help plan and observe his teaching style while sharing the classroom.

Matt always puts his students first. His ability to connect with them where they are has helped me to become a better co-teacher. He uses a variety of teaching strategies to ensure higher level learners are challenged while those who are struggling still understand the content. He is also great with classroom management. He is firm but fair with students. They may not always like the correction, but students highly respect him. Finally, he is a team player. We teach together in every sense which allows for high student achievement. Every week lesson plans are shared, and each day after class we conference briefly to go over what went well and what the plan is for the next day. Throughout my 9 years of co-teaching, he's been one of the best to share a classroom with.

I highly recommend Matt Watkins for any teaching position without reservation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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*Bryan Station High School faculty and staff will be RELENTLESS in ensuring all students graduate high school career and college ready.*

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Administrative Dean: Fred Snodgrass