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To Whom It May Concern:

Derek McCoy is a visionary in the integration of digital resources and an advocate for the need to develop digital literacy skills within the educational community. From the first time I worked with Mr. McCoy seven years ago, he has been consistently passionate in advocating for and increasing the opportunity for individual students, teachers, and professional learning communities to be exposed to and utilize 21st century resources to effectively increase learning at all levels within the school community.

It has been my privilege to work under Mr. McCoy's principalship as both a teacher and assistant principal. I have seen firsthand, how Mr. McCoy continuously promotes digital literacy skills for both educators and students. His passion for promoting the use of digital resources to improve instruction and learning isn't contained within the building he works. Mr. McCoy has spearheaded numerous collaborative events over multiple platforms in order to help fellow educators around the nation share resources and collaborate.

When I worked for Mr. McCoy as a teacher he championed new online platforms for collaboration and sharing of resources. He ensured teachers received professional development on utilizing available in-house technology as well as web resources to engage students in high-order thinking activities. He advocated tirelessly for the acquisition and integration of digital resources in order to increase student learning outcomes. He coached, encouraged, and provided feedback to teachers who were hesitant to integrate digital resources and technology into the classroom. In addition to instruction, as an assistant principal I saw firsthand how Mr. McCoy championed the use of digital resources to increase parent communication, provide information and receive feedback from the school community.

It is without hesitation that I recommend Mr. Derek McCoy as the recipient for the digital principal award.

Sincerely,



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