

RECOMMENDATION FOR LINDSAY JAGODOWSKI

It has been a joy to meet Lindsay Jagodowski (or Jag as she prefers) and to work with her in the theater at Phillips Exeter Academy. She is a glowing candidate and a naturally gifted teacher. Collaborating with Jag in the classroom has been an absolute pleasure. Her goodwill, positive approach, enthusiasm and expertise have made an important difference to my teaching. It's not only great to collaborate with a resourceful partner--it's even better to learn new approaches from an eager and thoughtful colleague. I've never met a more appealing, funny, and capable young teacher. It is her combination of communication skills and intelligence that makes Jag so strong. She understands the importance of connecting with people and knows how to guide discussions with her students and assert her role as the teacher. Students enjoy working with her, because she is a delightful combination of serious and playful. The learning has a deliberate and intentional drive, while seeming inspiring and motivational. Typically, interns at PEA are not given the responsibility to take on the role of an academic advisor. But one particular student went out of her way to ask if "Ms. Jag" could mentor her as her advisor. All those involved agreed that Jag was up to the task.

This term we are co-teaching Speechmaking before Jag takes on her own section next term. While experience will surely develop and cement her teaching talents, I have every confidence that Jag's students will discover new aspects and new insights into the subject matter as they discover the vibrant, friendly force of Lindsay Jagodowski.

Sincerely,

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