

# GLENDALE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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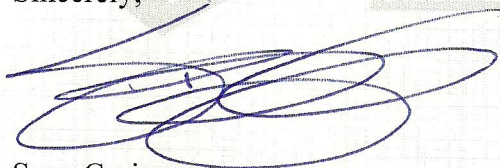
To Whom It May Concern:

I have the pleasure of providing this reference for Elizabeth Laverty. Elizabeth is a Red Deer College Education student who took it upon herself to volunteer at our school once per week for two hours mentoring four of our students. Elizabeth spent one to one time with each of these students involved in supportive conversation, tutoring and helping them out with the trials and tribulations of middle school. She also escorted one of these students to a weekend camp in February at Bragg Creek sponsored by Tim Horton's.

Since beginning this in-school mentoring project in October, Elizabeth has developed very strong relationships with all of these kids. To say her visits were a highlight of their week would be an understatement. Elizabeth's efforts have provided them with yet another level of school support that displays a degree of caring that we at Glendale believe should be automatic. Elizabeth developed personal relationships with each of these students in a very natural and authentic fashion.

Elizabeth's attitude toward this service learning project has been a refreshing example of commitment and support for our students. I would not hesitate to say that I was personally very impressed by Elizabeth's perspective and contribution to our school culture.

Sincerely,



Sean Grainger  
Counselor/ Special Education Liaison  
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