



North Allegheny School District
Health & Physical Education
350 Cumberland Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

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Dear Sir or Madam:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Ken Khalouf for employment at your school.

I had the opportunity to be Mr. Khalouf's cooperating teacher at North Allegheny Intermediate High School where he completed his student teaching experience during the spring of 2007. As student teaching center coordinator for Slippery Rock University I have worked with many fine student teachers. Mr. Khalouf is one of the best I've seen. The following statements are a few of the highlights that I think will make Mr. Khalouf a great teacher for years to come.

- He is passionate about what he does; health and fitness are a way of life for Mr. Khalouf not just a job.
- He possesses maturity and experience beyond his years.
- He is a certified personal trainer and uses the knowledge he has gained from working with clients on a daily basis to improve his teaching.
- He is confident and at ease in front of a class of students.
- He is a self-starter who is organized, efficient, and willing to do whatever is needed to get a particular task completed.
- Mr. Khalouf had many demands placed upon him during his eight-week student teaching experience and he handled each exceptionally.
- He regularly prepared for and instructed classes in Health, Advanced Physical Education, and Physical Education.
- He is current in his beliefs and is not afraid to try new things.
- It is very clear that he is a person who wants to be an agent of positive change and I'm sure that he will be.
- He has remarkable composure and presence with the students.
- He is very well liked and respected by his students and peers at North Allegheny.

Mr. Khalouf deserves serious consideration in any school district to which he applies, and I highly recommend him. I am sure that he has a bright future ahead of him wherever he chooses to teach. I am happy to discuss Mr. Khalouf's qualifications in more detail should you feel the need.

Sincerely,

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"If you don't take care of your body, where will you live?"