

Santa Ana Unified School District

SANTIAGO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL A California Distinguished School Linda Bell, Principal

Al Mijares, Ph.D., Superintendent

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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for Linda Ralph, who is a first grade teacher at Santiago Elementary School. As the principal of the school and as Linda's evaluator, I have had ample opportunity to observe her in her assignment as the teacher of young English Language Learners in both Bilingual and Immersion instructional programs. Linda has distinguished herself in her dedication to her students and in her high expectations for them to meet established standards.

Linda's dedication to her students is reflected in the many hours that she puts in to collaborate with grade level colleagues about curriculum implementation, in the many instructional strategies represented in the posted student work, and in the standards of behavior and confidence demonstrated by her students. Linda has made herself available to struggling students after school to provide tutoring. Utilizing her ability to speak Spanish fluently, she has worked hard to keep parents informed of their child's progress and to elicit their involvement in their child's education.

Linda is well respected by students and parents and has been an asset to Santiago Elementary School. I recommend her for any elementary teaching position.

Yours truly,

Linda A. Bell Principal

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