

HALF HOLLOW HILLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF HUNTINGTON AND BABYLON
WEST HOLLOW MIDDLE SCHOOL

STEVEN C. HAUK
Principal

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I submit a letter of recommendation on behalf of Greg Ricken. Intelligent, responsible, reliable, and caring are adjectives that readily describe Greg.

I had the opportunity to meet Greg through his request of interning with a School Counselor for practical experience as prelude to a career in this area. Although he was only with me from September 2017- December 2017, I was able to observe many qualities and characteristics which are essential for success in this field. Greg naturally observed each situation that presented itself and then followed up with appropriate questions. After earning a level of comfort with certain tasks he began taking initiative in facilitating them independently. He was empathetic and appropriate with his responses to student questions and able to handle simple and complicated tasks. Greg worked independently with running separate seventh and eighth grade new student groups. He was able to facilitate and foster a relationship with our new students in a short period of time. Students would always ask me if Mr. Ricken was going to have group this week. Greg also worked collaboratively with another intern to create a video for our incoming 6th grade students. He also created an extended advisory lesson for our middle school students to participate in for character education. Greg is extremely likeable, competent and an enormous asset to our Counseling Department.

It is with the utmost confidence that I recommend Greg Ricken for a School Counseling position. If you would like any further information please feel free to contact me at 631-592-3420, or e-mail at emarinich@hhh.k12.ny.us.

Sincerely,


Ed Marinich
Director of Guidance
West Hollow Middle School

