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Austin Davenport joined the Lethbridge Collegiate Institute Physical Education Department during the second semester of the 2015-2016 school year Spring semester. Austin's practicum teaching responsibility was two grade 9 Physical Education courses, one grade 11/12 Physical Education course and a Sports Performance course.

Austin is a consummate professional who takes the role of teacher/instructor seriously and is willing to do whatever is necessary to be successful in that role. Austin holds his teaching quality to a high standard and maintains that standard every day. He is a cooperative team member, who works hard and shows a high level of preparation and organization in his lessons and during co-curricular times. I enjoyed having Austin as a member of our physical education team and would not hesitate to team up with him again in the future.

One of Austin's biggest strengths lies in his level of organization and preparation. He has the ability to establish and maintain a prepared program and plan contingencies for the unexpected. Furthermore, he is also able to make adjustments during the lesson if things are not going the way that he had expected them to unfold. Austin is willing to be flexible in order for students to achieve success and operates a safe and caring classroom. He employs a wide variety of classroom management techniques and seeks strategies that will be efficient and effective for each individual class. As a result, a high level of learning, fun and activity can always be witnessed in his classroom.

Austin is invested in teaching greatness. He is always looking for ways to improve his delivery, management and relations with students and staff. As a result, he is open to constructive feedback and making efforts to employ that feedback in future lessons. He is reflective in units/lessons, discussions and is developing a positive teaching philosophy.

Austin has readily taken on tasks that go above and beyond the responsibility of teaching and has been involved with coaching in the LCI Badminton Program and the LCI Fitness Center. He has integrated himself seamlessly into existing co-curricular programs and those programs have benefitted greatly from his assistance. Austin accepts that the role of a physical education teacher extends beyond the realm of the classroom. He feels that co-curricular programming is important and should be supported whenever possible and is willing to offer that support.

Austin is a dedicated teacher, who is focused on the success of children/teenagers. It has been a pleasure to watch him grow into an amazing young professional. I believe he is well on his way to becoming the high quality teacher he has set his goals to become. I would recommend him for any teaching position he was interested in pursuing.

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