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INTERN OBSERVATION EVALUATION

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Education Department

Date/Time: November 26, 2012

School District & School: Methacton Area Senior High School

Cooperating Teacher: Mr. McCann

Student Teacher: Kyle Smolsky

Planning/Preparation—Classroom Environment—Instructional Delivery—Professionalism

Planning/Preparation—Key elements of the establishment and implementation of effective planning and preparation skills are successfully implemented. Components are listed below:

- Demonstrating Knowledge of Content Pedagogy—the teacher demonstrates solid understanding of the content and its prerequisite relationships and connections with other disciplines. Instructional practices reflect current pedagogical knowledge.
- > Demonstrating Knowledge of Students—planning for instruction includes the knowledge of students' backgrounds, skills, and interests.
- > Selecting Instructional Goals—the teacher's goals represent valuable learning and are suitable for most students in the class; they reflect opportunities for integration and permit viable methods of assessment.
- Demonstrating Knowledge of Resources—the teacher is fully aware of school and district resources available for teaching, and knows how to gain access to school and district resources for students who need them.
- > Designing Coherent Instruction—Elements of the instructional design support the stated instructional goals and engage students in meaningful learning and the lesson or unit has a clearly defined structure.
- Assessing Student Learning—The teacher's plan for student assessment is aligned with the instructional goals, containing clear assessment criteria and standards that are not only understood by students but also show evidence of student participation in their development. Teacher's students monitor their own progress in achieving the goals.

Evaluation of Today's Experience:

Mr. Smolsky has a thorough understanding of his subject matter. He presents the material in a professional manner and he is able to help students grasp the content. He uses technology and resources available to him. The lessons are designed in a coherent manner and the goals are clearly established. You are able to present the material to students at their individual level. Kyle started the class by asking about their vacation and then had them write down what they know about the war and things they want to learn. This was an excellent way to get the students focused on the day's lesson.

Students contributed to the lesson by saying what they learned and Mr. Smolsky asked additional questions that stimulated student discussion. A power point presentation was given on the war

with the Japanese. The power point was well organized and presented in an interesting way. Students were attentive and actively engaged in the lesson. Kyle asked many questions and students gave in depth answers. This really showed their understanding of the material. Students were given time to copy from the slides. You did not rush this. You were very relaxed and presented the material in an interesting way. You are always organized and have your lessons well prepared. You know how to execute a lesson. You have done a great job throughout your student teaching experience. You have the skills needed to be an excellent teacher. You will be an asset to any school district that hires you. Good Job! It was nice to see all the student interest in the war and they asked excellent thought provoking questions. You handled the questions and incorporated them in the lesson.

Post-Observation Conference:

Shared observation/instructional delivery and reviewed all components/elements of the student teaching experience to date.

Next Scheduled Observation:

(Signature of College Supervisor)

(Date)

Journal/Diary: Reviewed—OK

Time Sheets: Reviewed—OK

Lesson Plans: Reviewed—OK

Unit: Completed

Child Study: not required for secondary students

Samples of Students' Work: Observed during visitation

Student Teacher Comments: Great experience. I can't believe we are in the final weeks. I

learned a lot from both of my experiences.

Cooperating Teacher Comments: I am still pleased with Kyle's teaching. He will make a great professional.