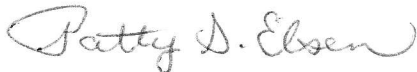


To Whom it Concerns:

I have an extensive knowledge of Laurie Swigart's credentials as a Theatre Director, through a long association with her on both personal and professional levels. As the parent of one of her alumni actors, the former booster club president, and a long-time costumer for her productions, I have worked both out front and behind the scenes. I have never known anyone with such a love of her chosen profession, and such absolute dedication to making each and every production achieve the highest possible level of perfection. In order to accomplish this, she goes far beyond handing out scripts and establishing blocking...Laurie makes a personal connection with each and every person associated with the production, sharing her vision for the show, while welcoming the flow of ideas from the others to expand upon what she has envisioned herself. This constant interchange of creative juices leads to the incredible finished product that is any show directed by Laurie Swigart.

I am not alone in these opinions, as I was thrilled to watch Laurie create history this year in the Sparta School District...and, in fact, in the State of Wisconsin, by taking a team to the High School Theatre Festival for the first time, and sweeping the awards...which had never been done by a first-time competitor. As with a priceless gem or precious metal, Laurie's best qualities shine forth under the bright lights. Laurie Swigart would be a wonderful addition to any theatrical program, and I would strongly recommend that you give her your utmost consideration! I guarantee that she will give her utmost to your program!

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patty S. Elsen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Patty S. Elsen