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LETTER OF REFERENCE MARIA SUSANNA GILDENHUYS

Maria Susanna Gildenhuys joined Hillside World Academy (HWA) (formerly known as the Chinese International School) as full-time Arts Specialist teacher in January 2017, for both the Junior School and Senior School.

Maria is one of the assets in the school. She is meticulous in her work, making sure that her teaching and administrative duties are performed to high level of expectations. For example, when planning for her lessons, she will spend considerable amount of time fine-tuning the curriculum, preparing the necessary assessments to ensure that the learning objectives are met, and thinking through and working out the appropriate teaching strategies to engage her students to learning more meaningfully and effectively. Administratively, she is able to meet deadlines and submit quality documents as well.

As the Arts Specialist teacher, Maria also finds opportunities for her students to showcase their works in the school's key events such as International Day.

On a personal level, Maria has an infectious and endearing personality that makes everyone who meets her feel comfortable and at home. She is also a thoughtful and sincere friend whom one can rely on for both day-to-day and important matters.

I can always depend on Maria to put in her best efforts and perform well in both the little and big responsibilities given to her.

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