

March 23, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great enthusiasm that I write this letter of recommendation for NaChé Thompson as she pursues doctoral studies. In the years since I first worked with NaChé, she has continued to distinguish herself as a dedicated educator, a strategic leader, and a passionate advocate for equity in education.

What sets NaChé apart is her intellectual independence and strategic problem-solving. Whether securing funding through grant writing, designing community engagement strategies, or leading professional learning, she approaches each challenge with meticulous planning and a commitment to meaningful outcomes. Her ability to organize and express ideas clearly, both in writing and through presentations, has earned her the trust of colleagues and district leaders alike.

NaChé is not only deeply knowledgeable about education policy and instructional improvement, but she is also a natural researcher. She consistently grounds her work in data and best practices, a quality that will serve her well in graduate studies. Her capacity for independent study, combined with her drive to effect systemic change, makes her an outstanding candidate for a PhD program.

I highly recommend NaChé Thompson without reservation. She is an exceptional professional whose insights, dedication, and leadership will undoubtedly contribute to the academic community. Please feel free to contact me should you require further information.

Sincerely,

*James Seward*