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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a former student of Dr. Danilo Baylen. I took his Children's Literature class in the summer of 2005. His class was very organized and structured. He guided us in our learning by having us participate in literature circles. Dr. Baylen challenged all of us during this course. It was my favorite course in the College of Education. His enthusiasm for teaching and working with us made our class a great learning experience.

His extensive knowledge of how to teach literature in an elementary school setting provided us with valuable tools to take to our future classrooms. He explained the objectives to the class and gave us all the information we needed to succeed in his course. He also made himself available to us before and after class to discuss and questions we had about the course. Dr. Baylen responded quickly to our emails and was always there to help us out. I found him to be an open person who was always willing to listen to our point of view.

Dr. Baylen required his papers to be done in a certain format on the computer. I didn't have any formal computer training but found Dr. Baylen's format to be very professional. At the beginning of the course he explained his format to us. I have taught this format to my children and they now do their papers this way for their teachers. His knowledge of computer and how to work with them is invaluable and able to pass this knowledge on to his students.

I consider Dr. Baylen to be one of the finest teachers I have ever had in the College of Education. I look forward to the day when I can take one of his classes again for my graduate degree.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marie Eastwood".

Marie Eastwood