

West Sonoma County Union High School District  
**REFERENCE CHECK OF POTENTIAL EMPLOYEE**

Reference Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

District/Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Opening Statement:** I am calling in reference to \_\_\_\_\_ who has applied for the position of \_\_\_\_\_ with our District. It is the intent of our District to hire the best candidate for our position, and therefore I would like to take a few minutes of your time to have you answer some questions in regard to his/her ability to perform the duties of this position. I would like to assure you that all responses to the questions will be kept strictly confidential. First ask the caller: Is this a convenient time for you? If yes, then proceed with reference check. If no, verify a time to return the call.

**Questions:**

How many years did you work with \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

What was the working relationship between the two of you? \_\_\_\_\_

How does he/she work as part of a team? \_\_\_\_\_

What are his/her interpersonal strengths/weaknesses? \_\_\_\_\_

In your opinion, what are his/her greatest skills? \_\_\_\_\_

Is he/she \_\_\_\_\_ reliable \_\_\_\_\_ dependable \_\_\_\_\_ honest \_\_\_\_\_ timely \_\_\_\_\_ fair

If he/she was faced with an issue or problem, how did he/she handle the situation? \_\_\_\_\_

When providing initial training to this candidate what should we focus on and what kind of support will he/she need to perform successfully in the job? \_\_\_\_\_

Did he/she operate within established organizational framework in dealing with issues or problems? \_\_\_\_\_

Was this person ever the subject of a complaint regarding harassment, abuse, or illegal conduct? If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you rehire this person? \_\_\_\_\_ Why/why not? \_\_\_\_\_

*Please document specific concerns received to all of the above questions. If any employer declines to answer any questions, please indicate that on the form. It is important to document all reference calls.*

Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date