

# Pleasantdale School District 107

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TO: Board of Education  
FROM: Dave Palzet  
RE: Innovative Teaching Coach Recommendation

I am recommending Stephen Braband for the Innovative Teaching Coach position at Pleasantdale School District. This is a new position this year which will allow our teachers to engage in high level coaching.

Steven earned his bachelors degree from St. Norbert College in Wisconsin and his masters in educational technology from Concordia University.

Stephen has worked as a Technology Specialist in Westchester District 92.5, Technology Teacher in Cicero District 99 and also a regular education teacher in districts 99 and 124.

Steven participated in an extensive hiring process that included three interview sessions with administrators and teachers, a writing sample, and a thorough reference check.

I am excited about having Steve here and confident he will continue to be a great addition to the Pleasantdale staff.

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## Mission

Ensure that each student is a passionate learner empowered with the Academic and social skills to responsibly choose and excel in life pursuits.