

# Maquoketa Community School District

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## Letter of Recommendation for Tricon Construction Group

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to write a letter of recommendation for Tricon Construction Company, Inc. I am currently in my eighth year as superintendent of the Maquoketa Community School District and we have worked with Tricon on two significant facility improvement projects. In total, the costs of our facility improvement projects were right at \$7 million. On both projects, we were very pleased with the quality of the work completed by Tricon.

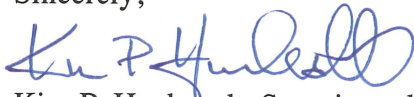
On a personal level, I have found the people at Tricon to be very professional and extremely thorough in carrying out their responsibilities. From on-going communication, to the coordination of work schedules, to the resolving of conflicts that inevitably arise... Tricon performed their responsibilities and served our district in an exemplary manner.

Financial constraints are a critical reality in every construction project. As we entered each of our projects, we have focused on quality and value for each dollar we spend. In each of our projects, Tricon worked cooperatively with our architect and construction managers to offer suggestions that offered an opportunity for savings without sacrificing quality.

Throughout both projects, Mark Horcher and the other crewmembers were excellent to work with. They maintained a positive work environment and followed strict safety protocols which is always vitally important, but especially so in a public school setting. They also were very good about answering my questions and providing timely updates and progress reports.

Like everyone else, our goal has been to provide the best outcome at a price that is fair and reasonable. We believe Tricon helped us achieve this goal. We consider Tricon an important partner in assuring a positive outcome to our facility improvement projects. If you have any specific questions about Tricon, feel free to contact me at your convenience or feel free to come visit our facility.

Sincerely,



Kim P. Huckstadt, Superintendent  
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