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Dear John Wiedrick,

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I am nearing the end of my certifying practicum through Thompson Rivers University's Professional Development Program. I am writing to apply for the Teacher Teaching on Call position in Kamloops School District. I am currently a student teacher at Juniper Ridge Elementary School and have been teaching all subjects. I have taught Math, English Language Arts, Socials, Science, Physical Health Education, Career Education, ADST, Drama, and French. I am passionate about supporting every student's journey with learning, and my experiences in the field of education exemplify a desire and ability to provide empathetic and enthusiastic reinforcement for students of all ages.

I had the privilege to complete my certification practicum at Juniper Ridge, and I gained experience teaching all subjects. My time at Juniper Ridge has been a valuable learning experience, with the opportunity to practice a wide scope and a range of subjects. Through experience, I have developed strong skills in lesson/ unit planning, classroom management, and student assessment. I believe in creating a positive and nurturing classroom environment where all students feel supported and encouraged to reach their full potential. I use a variety of teaching methods and resources to engage students and help them build a love for learning. I am also dedicated to collaborating with colleagues and parents to create a comprehensive and effective education plan for each student.


I graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Geography from the University of the Fraser Valley. My education has provided a foundation of knowledge, that supports the skills that I have gained while working with children. I learned the ability to address difficult, and sensitive-natured issues with students and staff through my experience and education.

I have experience working with both Elementary and High School students. I have gained lots of experience working for the District of Abbotsford as a recreational coordinator and leader with children ages 1-12. In this role, I was responsible for developing and preparing educational and creative lessons for sporting sessions. I developed the ability to quickly adapt and be patient to best support all students. This role gave me ample opportunities to gain skills in leadership and conflict management. I have an excellent understanding and ability to apply behaviour management strategies to given situations. I have further developed these skills through my practicum experiences.

My goal is to create a safe and positive learning environment for all my students. I want my students to feel valued and cared for when they are in my classroom. Lastly, I want to instill a love of learning by capturing their interest, encouraging their efforts and incorporating active student participation into all of my lessons.

I would love the opportunity to bring my passion for education to the Abbotsford School District. I appreciate you taking the time to review my application, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Mikaila Kerr