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COVER LETTER

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CORA Services
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Dear Leadership Team Member,

It is with great enthusiasm that I submit my application for the Math Teacher position. I would love to continue my teaching journey with CORA Services because of their commitment to ensure excellence in all aspects of student life. My values coincide with your mission of assisting students experiencing emotional, academic and social challenges, which impede their development and productivity. I graduated Summa Cum Laude from Kutztown University with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education Grades 4-8 Mathematics and Science concentrations. I grew up in Breinigsville, PA and attended Parkland School District. I believe you will find me to be a dedicated, flexible, and compassionate educator who is well qualified to provide the motivation that students need to successfully learn.

I am currently a Math Intervention teacher at Elwyn in Philadelphia. One of my greatest strengths as an educator is meeting each of my student's unique needs by developing a personal understanding of each of them. I aim to provide a stimulating learning environment that fosters confidence and encourages my students to reach their full potential. I bring a creative and positive energy to school, accompanied by a desire and willingness to work with others to achieve a common goal. Before teaching at Elwyn, I taught 4th grade in Pen Argyl School District. While teaching at Pen Argyl, I successfully integrated technology in my daily classroom practices and utilized applications such as Khan Academy, Prodigy, GoNoodle, ClassDojo and Discovery Education. These tools helped strengthen my instruction, assessments, student-centered activities, classroom management and communication with parents.

My professional semester and student teaching experiences allowed me to work with students from diverse backgrounds and learning styles. During my time at Eyer and Lower Macungie Middle Schools in the East Penn School District, I improved my ability to modify lessons to accommodate my students individualized learning plans to further enhance their educational experiences.

Between semesters, I continued to teach a diverse group of middle school students as a Lehigh Valley Summerbridge intern for Moravian Academy. This internship allowed me to teach a core subject, co-teach an elective and a club, and lead a core team of four teachers. Last summer I worked with the current teachers to help them integrate technology into their classrooms. I conducted professional development sessions on technology because I believe that technology offers tremendous potential to enhance and engage students in their learning. I am confident that my education and experience will contribute to the quality education CORA Services provides.

Every child should find joy in learning. My job is to partner with students who are struggling to keep pace academically. I am here to help students, as well as their parents and teachers, identify learning challenges and develop plans to overcome them. I would be honored to provide an education that is both challenging and supportive to encourage and empower students to be active and engaged learners through CORA Services. I have absolutely no doubt in my ability to be effective within your available teaching position, and kindly ask for an opportunity to discuss this more in detail. I am available for an interview at your convenience. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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