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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to apply for an elementary education teaching position. I would like to apply for [teaching position] in your school district. I am a graduate of Alma College and I am currently working to complete my student teaching requirements for Michigan Elementary Provisional Certification. My majors are Elementary Education and Integrated Science.

I believe that schools are safe and friendly environments where students are given the opportunity to grow cognitively and socially, learn new information on a daily basis and broaden their understandings of the world around them. I also believe in classrooms that are accommodating to all learners and embrace diversity. All students should feel values and comfortable in school and should be given the confidence to approach their teachers and peers, think independently, learn at their own pace, and believe in their abilities. As a part of my Education courses, I have worked in classrooms at the Kindergarten/Young Fives, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grade level and completed over 180 hours of observation placement and instruction. In addition, I've tutored reading groups, lead RTI group instructions, and instructed large and small group lessons is all subjects.

In addition to my Education coursework, I have managed and worked for Elementary Education STEM camps for several weeks over the past four summers. Working with children and others as a part of these experiences has grown my confidence and helped me develop classroom management, parent-teacher communication, and other vital teaching and leadership skills. These experiences have also emphasized the importance of your core mission of creating a community of learners who are kind, safe, cooperative, and respectful. Through my work experiences as an Admissions Ambassador, Customer Service Representative, and Assistant Coach I have also learned a great deal of communication skills, as well as built skills in relationship building and mediation, and acquired skills in event planning and promotion.

After completing these experiences, along with my Third Grade Student Teaching placement, I can say with confidence, that my desire as an educator is to develop students with active minds, a sense of understanding, a love of learning, and to encourage individuality within my students throughout their learning. In addition to this cover letter, I would like to encourage you to look over my resume or visit my online professional teaching portfolio (libbeyjones.weebly.com), which can provide additional information concerning my background and experiences. I would love an opportunity to discuss this position with you further.

Thank you very much for your attention.

Educationally yours,

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