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Ms. Asta Sprangers
Associate Principal
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5103 Farwell Street
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Dear Ms. Sprangers:

I am writing in reference to the Mathematics Teacher position posted on the WECAN website. In May 2007, I will graduate from St. Norbert College in De Pere, Wisconsin, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Mathematics and a Certification in Early Adolescence/Adolescence (Secondary Education). Through the WECAN website, I read with great interest about the Mathematics Teaching Position along with the co-curricular duties. I believe the position would take advantage of key skills and qualities that I possess, including interpersonal skills, patience, organization, leadership skills, integrated lesson planning, and swim coaching skills. Thus, I would like to apply for the position and share with you how I can be an asset to your mathematics team.

As noted in my resume, I have experience in teaching mathematics to high school students. High school students need motivation and I provide that through the integration of math concepts into students' personal interests. I am able to integrate technology into the lessons and give personal feedback to every student. During my student teaching at Lombardi Middle School, I was given a project to create a 21'x30' American flag with my students. With my students, I explained how Pythagorean's Theorem works to create right angles and the students used this technique to create the flag. This shows the initiative that I will take when given tasks. I created a lesson that integrated other cultures into mathematics, which demonstrates the interdisciplinary skills that I use in my teaching. During the summers, I am an assistant pool manager and a swim coach. These jobs demonstrate my interpersonal skills by listening to concerns of parents and members of the pool.

In addition to my specific interest in this position, I also am interested in the extra-curricular activities that I may be involved with at McFarland High School. My solid foundation as a liberal arts student has provided me with the ability to learn quickly, adapt to new situations, and work in a team environment. I believe these qualities make me a competitive candidate for your program.

Thank you for considering my qualifications for the Mathematics Teaching position. I will call you the week of February 19th to further discuss this position. In the meantime, if you would like to contact me, please feel welcome to reach me via telephone at (608) 365-8467 or e-mail at hailey.konnor@snc.edu. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Hailey Konnor

Enclosure: resume