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Dr. Peter Kopack  
Superintendent  
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Dear Dr. Kopack,

I am writing to express my interest in the full-time Basic Skills position that has been posted for April through June 2016. Currently, I hold two teaching certificates, Teacher of the Handicapped and Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Before having my three children, I was a Special Education Teacher. I stayed home for 12 years with my children before returning to the profession as a substitute teacher.

I feel that my previous classroom experience, my time raising and participating in the education of my three children, as well as the experience I have back in the classroom as a substitute in the LBI School District, have all afforded me the opportunity to interact and engage with children at different levels, and the ability to determine and address the individual needs of each student. As both a teacher and a parent, I strive to provide an atmosphere that is conducive to all learning styles, provide opportunities for student success as well as assist the student in acquiring the tools and skills to achieve that success. Above all, I strive to cultivate a love of learning.

After having the opportunity to be a long-term substitute in a second grade LBI district classroom, I was reminded of my love of teaching. In my time as a stay-at-home mother to my three children, I have remained actively involved in their education. I am of the firm belief that children perform best with a strong foundation of the basics – in math, reading, and organization. I have taken my knowledge from the classroom and used it at home to provide those basics for my own children. For many reasons, there are children who have not mastered those basic skills and, as I have witnessed in the classes in which I have had the opportunity to substitute, without those basic skills, children fall behind academically, get frustrated, and lose their love of learning. I feel that with my knowledge and experience as a special educator, my involvement with my own children and their education, as well the experience I have gained as a substitute, I have the knowledge and ability to provide the basic skills instruction to students who are struggling in the large classroom setting.

I have been thrilled to be back as a substitute teacher since last January in the Long Beach Island School District and I hope to continue to work with the students of this district. I would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you and discuss how my skills and experience can meet the needs of the LBI students. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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