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Mr. Steven L. Walts
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Dear Mrs. Smith,

I would like to express my interest in becoming a Spanish teacher within Prince William Public Schools. Currently, I am in the Virginia State Career Switcher Program through Shenandoah University and will receive a Provisional Teaching License this upcoming June.

Having spent my formative years on the mission fields of South America and my adult years continuing to study, work, and travel abroad, I feel I would be the perfect fit for Prince William County Schools and its melting pot of cultures and diversity. PWPS are committed to a high standard of achievement for their students, not just in academia but their entire well-being. Working together towards a student's current success and their future success is my ultimate goal.

As a Spanish teacher, I will strive to bring the vast, beautiful, and intrinsic value of language and culture into the classroom. Knowing Spanish has given me such a broad world-view and become an integral part of who I am, that in turn, makes me extremely passionate about the world that can be opened up for a student who learns a foreign language. Developing an interest in communities that may be unfamiliar, finding appreciation in cultural differences, language nuances, and people from different places, and even seeking diversity are all positive outcomes developed through language learning. When stepping into my classroom, I aim to give students a consistent sense of achievement and a safe place to learn, try, discover, create, express, and assess their understanding through the many levels of learning Spanish.

My ability to build positive relationships with students, peers, and administrators, variety of teaching experiences, recent coursework in curriculum development and classroom management, belief in differentiated learning, and creative approaches to lesson engagement will all enable me to be a great asset to the Prince William School District. I hope to soon discuss with you how my experience and qualifications can best meet the goals of your district. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Laura Someone