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Dear [Name of Admin],

Please accept this application for the [grade x position] at [Name of School]. I am aware of the unique possibilities and sensibilities young learners possess, and develop and celebrate them from my 9 years teaching Junior/Intermediate students. I embrace life and am a positive member of the learning community strengthening it with rapport and teamwork. I bring a grateful intention, which manifests in a clarity of purpose, an uncompromising work ethic, and authenticity of relationships.

The ability to connect with students personally and professionally is a strength of mine. Differentiated instruction makes absolute sense to me, for it is completely consistent with my embodied understanding of good teaching and learning. Furthermore, I use parental involvement in student learning and make regular phone calls to reinforce education at home. I am an avid user of the Remind app and had 90% of my parent community subscribed last year.

Believing that 'Pixels affect Perception', I've built my professional practice around using technology to empower students voice and enhance proven interventions in the junior and intermediate classroom. Beginning with BAS, I used it this fall to level all of my students. I then boost whole class curiosity by using board funded texts together with Twitter, Aurasma, and QR codes to enhance their engagement. Using data that comes through Leaps and Bounds to drive my Math instruction and leveled groupings, I then incorporated Skype and live chat rooms to enhance the concepts gained from the resource. We even Skyped Marion Small for a Fractions unit! Genius Hour and other inquiry-based teaching ideas are strong foundations on which my unit plans are based, and my ideas have been featured in newspapers and published in provincial, national, and international magazines. I've led PD at our staff meetings at many schools on creative ways to integrate technology, and have taught 1500+ teachers across Ontario. My teacher website (listed in the header) has generated over 1500 hits from teachers in 40 countries around the world and 100+ Canadian and US cities, and my YouTube channel of teaching ideas has generated more than 21 000 views. My TPT account of free resources has nearly 5000 downloads.

I am confident that bringing these experiences to a school community and my own classroom will help create a rich and engaging environment. As a reflective practitioner, I continually consider my values, beliefs, and instructional experience in order to improve my teaching practice. My worldview means I see children as gifts of great worth possessing intrinsic value.

I am confident in my ability to be an asset to your school and to the children and families it seeks to serve. I would value your consideration for the position and hope to join the [short name of school] community this fall.

Sincerely, Ryan Tindale