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Marcia Gonzales
Human Relations
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Dear Ms. Gonzales:

“Where all students learn at a high level,” was the first thing I was drawn to while reviewing your website. One sentence, packed with a great deal of meaning. The strides Stanley-Boyd has made in math and reading to achieve 90% of your students passing their reading tests and 83% proficient or advanced in Math is something of which I hope to be a part. It is for these reasons I would love the opportunity to join your community as a 2nd grade teacher. In May 2013 I will be graduating from St. Norbert College in De Pere, Wisconsin with a Bachelors of Arts degree in Elementary Education and a minor in Language Arts. My strengths in building connections with students, faculty and parents, using technology to effectively enhance the classroom, and differentiate instruction based on the needs of my students are just a few of things I can offer to Stanley-Boyd.

Some of the ways I build strong relationships with students, faculty, and parents is through attending after school events, participating in a district meeting, and opening lines of communication via newsletters, e-mails, phone calls, and conferences. Two additional strengths I possess are the ability to use technology effectively and differentiate and engage students. For example, with my first grade students I used iPads during guided reading where high leveled students spelled sight words, middle leveled students read sight words, and lower leveled students traced letters while practicing letter sounds. Another example is in 8th grade advanced Language Arts where students read a novel regarding utopias. Students then reflected on their own utopia, wrote about it, and then presented using WebPages, movies, or podcast. Finally, at the end of the year students reflected on the unit choosing their favorite piece; many chose to write about the technology.

I am excited about this opportunity to join your team of educators, and bring my various strengths with me. I would love to assist Stanley-Boyd Elementary School in the continuation of being a spotlight school. Thank you for considering my qualifications for this 2nd grade position, I look forward to hearing from you in the near future to discuss my qualifications. If you would like to contact me, I can be reached at

(920) 337-5555 or sam.knight@snc.edu. Again, I look forward to this great opportunity at Stanley-Boyd.
Go Orioles!

Sincerely,

Sam Knight