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# Brianna Whittle

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To Whom It May Concern,

I would just like to start by saying thank you for considering me as a candidate for the position and taking the time to read through my application. My name is Brianna Whittle, an oboe player and music education graduate at University of Louisville. I am a recent graduate of the University of Louisville and certified music teacher, and I would love to become a music teacher at your school in the 2024-2025 year. Music has been a huge part of my life, and I want to do nothing more than bring the joy of music into the lives of new generations to come.

In my time in college, I have accomplished many experiences that have aided myself into the teacher I am today. For the past few years, I have gone to observations in various schools where I have helped programs with private lessons, or even led the class. Starting in 2022, I began coaching and writing show work for color guards. In the summer of 2022, I was given the opportunity by Dr. Frederick Speck to work with the middle school oboes and teach middle school music theory classes for Wind Band Institute. My student teaching has been completed in Louisville, Kentucky at Anchorage Independent Public School and Kammerer Middle School in Jefferson County Public Schools. I have worked one year in Hazard, Kentucky at Perry County Central High School. In this time I have been director of the Pep Band, Concert Band, Choir and a teacher of Arts and Humanities. The Pep Band has traveled to Lexington for basketball season and Frankfort for the Governor's Inauguration Parade in 2023.

Although I am not perfect by any means, I do carry some character traits that match those of a good teacher. First thing, I am very clean and organized in every part of what I do in my personal life and in my teaching life. It has been brought to my attention that my demeanor while teaching is very calm, which causes calm responses from students and a calm classroom environment. I have also been told that my classroom management is well balanced. I have also been told that I do not change who I am when I teach, and the students feed off how real I am with them. My whole life I have been surrounded by people of all colors and beliefs and have been raised in a culture where each person matters no matter their situation. I believe a great teacher has compassion for each student, and I strive to have that care for each of my students.

I am ready to take on the role as band director and a life-long mentor to students in the years they need the most support. If you ask my recent cooperating teacher, she will tell you that "she just needs a job." I hope you will consider my application and I can not wait to learn more about your school.

Thank you for considering my application, I hope that you will find me a great fit for the school.