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Fort Worth, TX. 76133

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Mr. Duane Thurston

Principal

Mary Orr Intermediate School

2900 East Broad Street

Mansfield, TX. 76063

Dear Mr. Thurston,

I am seeking a position at Mary Orr Intermediate as a social studies teacher. Currently I am enrolled in Tarleton’s Model for Accelerated Teacher Education (TMATE) program, and state certified in social studied 4-8 and EC-6. I became aware of the opening on the MISD website, and my wife, Jennifer Harris, suggested that I apply. I have been familiar with Mary Orr and the MISD school district for 10 years and have envisioned myself as part of this exemplary team. I believe I would be a great asset to your school and district.

After owning a picture framing business for 17 years, I decided to return to school and finish my education. During my time in school I had one goal and that was to be an educator. Throughout my life I have had the privilege to work with children. I have DJ’ed school events, sponsored youth photography workshops, and tutored students at Fort Worth’s International Newcomers Academy. The moment that ignited my desire to be an educator happened when my wife and I had guardianship of young man. He was having trouble in his social studies class and I started tutoring him. I let him know that I believed in him, and that I was there to coach him with his studies. In a short time, his grades started to improve. One day he came home with a big smile on his face. He informed me that he scored a 100 on a major project and he was very proud of himself, and so was I.

I have had the experience to visit Mary Orr Intermediate on many occasions. I have met the teachers, I have experienced the Cultural Fair, and seen the creativity of the students. Everyone I have encountered praised the faculty, students and school. I would be honored to be part of this environment. I can be contacted by email or phone. I would like the opportunity to sit down for a formal interview.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Harris II

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Enclosure