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CONVENTIONS  Expression and voice.  Organization of thoughts and ideas.  Use of the English language.	SXEMPLARY (4)  Wall-focused assay with evidence of throught and organization in composition, chrosing, and structure. Effective transitions between ideas. No spelling, punctuation, or grammar errors are evident.	Essay is focused and shows some evidence of composition skills. Transitions between ideas are weak or inconsistent. Essay is mostly clean from errors (no more than three errors in spelling, punctuation, or grammar).	REVISE/RESUBMIT (2)  Essay is not focused and shows minimal evidence of composition skills. Structure is weak with little evidence of transitions between ideas. Essay contains numerous errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammer but they do not detract from reader's understanding.	Essay is poorly expressed and disorganized with little attention to language and sentence structure. Essay contains numerous errors in spelling, punctuation, or grammar that significantly undermine redder's Underslanding.
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Education is a field that is constantly changing. There is always something new to learn, whether it is an idea for a sensory table activity, a technique for helping a student who has special needs, or a fun and interactive science experiment. Inside my classroom I may be the teacher, but within my chosen profession I am the student. I always strive to be a better teacher both for myself and for my students. It is my responsibility to provide the children with the best learning experience possible. These children rely on me to make sure they are properly prepared for the next phase in their schooling.

I am an active participant in outside workshops and trainings because I believe it is important to expose yourself to various teaching methods and styles. In my classroom I have adapted many ideas that I gained from working with another teacher or experienced in a workshop. For example, when student teaching my cooperating teacher used a number line to count each day of school. In my classroom, we use unifix cubes to count how many school days are left and how many days we have attended. Through the graduate program at Rhode Island College I can delve deeper into the world of education and gain new experiences and ideas that can be applied in the classroom.

As an educator who has only been in the field for a few years, I thrive on learning from my coworkers and directors who have more experience. Some of my professional goals include learning more about students with disabilities in a line inclusive classroom, techniques for helping students to sound out learns while

writing, and new ways to incorporate math into the classroom. Pursuing these goals will allow me to better prepare my students for first grade. Another area I wish to expand on is bridging a home-school connection by creating opportunities for parents to be active participants in their child's education. Currently I send home a book bag each month with a story and a corresponding activity. I would like to learn new ways to incorporate literacy and math into the book bag activities.

I am applying to the graduate program at Rhode Island College because I feel my needs can be met here better than at another school. While researching graduate programs in Rhode Island, I found that only Rhode Island College has a masters program in Early Childhood Education. This is very important to me because the focus of my career is in early childhood education. I want to serve the children as a whole, not in one specific area such as reading or special education. While these are important ports of the education spectrum, I feel that a continuation of my undergraduate studies will serve me best. I look forward to embarking on the next chapter of my education at Rhode Island College.



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