**First Year Teacher Cover Letter Sample 1**

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**Jane Hoffer**
Principal
**Sante Fe Elementary School**
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Dear Mrs. Hoffer,

Recently, your school posted an advertisement for a third-grade teacher on the New Mexico University's College of Education job vacancies board. I will be earning my Bachelor of Science in elementary education from that university in May of this year, and I am very interested in applying for this position. Currently, my teaching experience includes four years of student teaching. In addition to my teaching experience, my experience in child care has included mentoring at summer camps and serving as a volunteer for our local library. I believe these experiences will make me an excellent part of your school.

In my current position as a student teacher, I am responsible for creating my own lesson plans. I incorporate my students' overall prior knowledge as I consider what their next learning objectives should be for the following week. I pride myself on being able to create an exciting and innovative learning environment that provides challenges for students while also providing them with the best tools to achieve academic success. The key to achieving my goals is the ability to utilize a multitude of teaching strategies and activities in the classroom to keep the attention of my students.

During my time as a student teacher, I have gained the love, admiration, and respect of my students, and I have been voted Teacher of the Year on more than one occasion. I have also been recognized by parents for my ability to provide my students with a comprehensive and innovative lesson plan that encourages their creativity and critical thinking.

My job skills include adaptability to any classroom environment. During my first year as a student teacher, I completed a rotation that included three different grade levels. I was able to adapt to this rotation very easily. In addition to being able to write lesson plans, I am skilled at being flexible when the classroom environment or unique challenges of individual students require it. Above all else, I am a patient and considerate listener, and this is a skill that I feel is most valuable when working with elementary age children.

In closing, I would love to further discuss my qualifications with you. I am available both by phone and by email. I'd be happy to return any message you might leave. Additionally, I am open to conducting an interview over Skype if it is more convenient for you. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Casey Owens