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Hello! I am thrilled to start my third year teaching Middle School English Language Arts at Unity School. I grew up in New York and now live in Boca Raton with my husband and our two daughters. My oldest daughter currently attends Unity School, and my youngest will soon be joining. As soon as I stepped onto campus, I knew this was a special place - there's an indescribable energy it gives off. I wanted not only to work here, but to have my daughters experience this wonderful community as well.

I hold a Bachelor of Arts in English and Secondary Education and a Master of Science in Literacy Education, both from Syracuse University, as well as an Advanced Degree in Educational

Administration and Supervision from the University of Bridgeport. Over the past decade, I've taught English at both the middle and high school levels.

In addition to my classroom experience, I've advised student organizations such as the National Junior Honor Society and taught education courses as an adjunct faculty member at Loyola University Maryland, where I helped prepare future English teachers.

I believe that every student has a unique voice and story to tell. My mission as a teacher is to create a supportive, engaging classroom where students feel empowered to think critically, express themselves clearly, and take intellectual risks. By fostering a love of language and literature, I hope to equip my students not just with academic skills, but with the confidence and curiosity they need for lifelong success.

One of my proudest achievements as an educator is seeing students gain the confidence to tackle complex texts and articulate their own ideas both verbally and in writing. Whether it's a student overcoming a fear of public speaking or mastering an analytical essay, watching that personal and academic growth unfold is the most gratifying part of teaching.

I was drawn to Unity School because of its commitment to educating the whole child - intellectually, emotionally, physically, and spiritually. Unity's nurturing environment, emphasis on character development, and focus on building community resonated deeply with my own values as an educator. Since joining Unity, I've felt incredibly supported by our administration and grateful to work alongside a team of dedicated middle school educators. The collaboration and camaraderie among the faculty make it a truly enriching place to teach and grow.

The Unity Middle School program stands out because it fosters independence, critical thinking, and leadership in a caring and supportive environment. Students are encouraged to explore their interests, challenge themselves academically, and develop strong moral character. I am proud to be part of a program that not only prepares students for high school, but also empowers them to become thoughtful, compassionate citizens.