# **Maria Wirtz**

# **Objective**

To be employed as an Elementary and Early Childhood teacher in the Turtle Lake-Mercer Public School District, Turtle Lake, ND.

### **EDUCATION**

- -Underwood Public School, Underwood, ND -- High School Diploma
- -University of Mary, Bismarck, ND -- Pursuing a degree in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Education. I will graduate in April of 2022.

#### **SKILLS**

- -Strong organizational and planning skills
- -Communicates and builds professional relationships with students and adults
- -Responds and quickly adapts to feedback
- -Shows promptness and attentiveness on site

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Lewis & Clark Elementary School, Mandan, ND - Practicum Student - Fall 2021

- Designed lessons integrated with technology
- Conducted math interventions to improve students' specific math skills
- Integrated art into other subjects as an engagement tool

Northridge Elementary School & Christ the King Catholic Montessori School, Bismarck & Mandan - Practicum Student - Spring 2021

- Witnessed the importance of hands-on learning to engage students
- Understood the importance of self-directed activity to create authentic learning

Will-Moore Elementary School, Bismarck, ND - Practicum Student - Fall 2020

- Learned social-emotional learning instruction is vital for students struggling with mental health
- Discovered the significance of communicating with social workers, special education teachers, paraprofessionals, principals, and parents

Solheim Elementary School, Bismarck, ND - Practicum Student - Fall 2020

- Understood physical activity increases attention and memory to facilitate learning
- Observed how physical education helps students develop personally and socially

St. Bernard Mission School & McCabe United Methodist Church, Standing Rock & Bismarck, ND - Practicum Student - Spring 2020

- Witnessed the importance of individual learning plans to allow students to work at their own pace
- Created fun and memorable learning experiences through crafts

Nanny, Underwood, ND - Summers of 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022

- Planned various activities to create memorable experiences
- Communicated with children, parents, and their extended family

Underwood Public School, Underwood, ND - 2nd Grade Aid-Fall 2017- Spring 2018

- Led small group interventions
- Graded students' assignments
- Acted as a role model for the students

## **AWARDS**

-SPURS Award- Sophomore year of college