

## Yuk-king's cover letter

I was excited to see the opening you listed for a sixth grade Chinese teacher. The King's County Public School District has great appeal to me because of its commitment to promoting equity among its students and closing the achievement gaps in all areas, including gender, socio-economic levels, race, ethnicities, and learning capabilities. Having a community of equity does not mean that everyone is treated equally; but rather that each person is treated fairly and with respect. Through creating this type of community, each student is able to reach his or her fullest potential, which will lead to a closing of the achievement gap among the students.

My teaching experiences have allowed me to work with students from a variety of backgrounds. In my teaching at the Moody Middle School in Henrico, I worked with a group of students who were very diverse both culturally and linguistically. In our class, we have students speak Russian, Hebrew, Vietnam, Philippines, India, and Pakistan. Throughout the semester, we worked intensively to enhance their Chinese communication skills through computer assisted instruction, reading activities, and explicit writing strategies. Because I consider myself a lifelong learner, I was constantly reflecting on my work with students. I was consistently collecting data, reviewing my students' progress and finding ways to increase their performance. I used current research and information obtained from my peers at the school to determine how I could best teach my students.

I would appreciate the opportunity to speak with you regarding any open positions as a Chinese teacher from K to 12 levels. Thank you for your consideration.