Janel Porter

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**Personal Statement**

There must be choice in learning. Without choice there is no joy and a great lack of intrinsic motivation. Learning needs to be meaningful to students and full of purpose. Giving my students choice in their learning will better prepare them for the challenges of tomorrow because I let them experience the consequences of their choices now.

**Summary of Accomplishments**

* Idaho Teaching Certification (K-8) Expected Completion July 2014
  + Praxis Elementary Education: Multiple Subjects Expected June 2014
  + Praxis Elementary Education: Reading Specialist
* Passed All Three Sections of The Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Assessment

**Education**

* **The College of Idaho**, Caldwell, Idaho
* Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies for Elementary Precertification, May 2014
* Minors: Literacy Education and Religion
* Endorsement: Literacy Education
* Cumulative 3.6 GPA

Honors and Awards:

* Kathryn Albertson Day Award; Campus Discovery Grant; Alumni Merit Award
* Dean’s List Fall 2013

**Teaching Experience**

**Caldwell School District, Washington Elementary, Caldwell, Idaho**

*First Grade Student Teacher, January-May 2014*

* Planned daily and weekly lessons in all academic areas
* Supplemented meaningful enrichment activities and interventions for reading, workshop, and math
* Progress monitored students in reading
* Provided differentiated instruction for students in reading, spelling, and math
* Utilized formal and informal assessments
* Implemented effective classroom management strategies
* Observed reading, writing, workshop, and math in grades kindergarten through fifth grade
* Collaborated weekly with first grade team members and attended weekly staff meetings
* Participated in Response to Intervention meetings once a week
* Participated in professional development
* Participated in spring parent-teacher conferences
* Substituted for first grade classrooms

*Aid for After School Reading Intervention Program for At Risk Students in First Grade*

* Planned and prepared meaningful lessons to improve fluency and comprehension
* Students improved fluency up to 36 words per minute within 8 weeks

**Caldwell School District, Washington Elementary, Caldwell, Idaho**

*Student Teacher for Summer School Expected June-July 2014*

**The College of Idaho, Caldwell Idaho**

* 150+ classroom observational hours for undergraduate classes

**Athletic Experience**

**The College of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho**

* Women’s Volleyball Team 2010-2014

Honors and Awards:

* Volleyball Scholarship 2010-2014
* CCC All-Academic and Scholar-Athlete Teams 2010-2014
* NAIA Tachikara Academic All-American 2013
* Assistant Camp Volleyball Coach: College of Idaho, Northwest Nazarene University, Rocky Mtn. H.S., and Club Idaho Stars
* Coached Private Volleyball Lessons and Camps For Youth
* CPR Certified

**About Me** I spend most of my time with my family and friends. I love to go river rafting, play volleyball, and eat delicious food. I cannot wait to be a teacher and let the rewarding work begin!