

Applicant Name
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My goal is to graduate from college with my Bachelors in early-childhood education with a minor in either English or psychology.

Skills and Accomplishments:

Life Skills:

Teaching others has provided me with certain essentials for the "real" world. It has promoted my self-esteem, allowed me to expand on my creativity and imagination, and has given me the opportunity to work on my effectiveness of communication and utilizing resources. Budgeting has also played an important role in teaching.

- * Participated in both Demonstrations and Action Exhibits at Presentation Day teaching approximately eighty people during each action exhibit session.
- * Received a Teen Mentor Medal for the make-it-take-it workshop I conducted entitled "Sweet Temptations" for approximately twenty people at the 4-H Mini Fair.
- * Conducted a session at a Presentation Workshop for approximately fifteen leaders and youth within my county.
- * 2002-2003 - Member of the Food Show committee. As a member, I was expected to help out at the day of the event. I also found and made a recipe that was high in fiber (our theme for this year) for all participants to try.
- * Involved with the Celebrate N.H. Folklife Festival as a presenter of a make-it-take-it for approximately four hundred people throughout the course of two days.
- * Nursery School Teacher at my church since 1999. I prepare lessons and activities for children ages two to five. I can expect up to ten kids in the nursery, to include infants. This work experience has helped me towards reaching my long-term goal.
- * When my school schedule allows, I volunteer in a kindergarten classroom. I am expected to help the kids with their lessons and answer any questions they may have. This has helped me to decide on my long-term goal to become a kindergarten teacher.
- * 2000-2001 - Algebra tutor for two students.
- * 1999-2000 - Received a county medal for Arts and Crafts for demonstrating my skills in managing time, money, and resources.

Leadership Skills:

Through leadership I have come to realize that being a true leader doesn't always mean taking charge, but sometimes means taking a back seat and providing persuasive guidance when needed. As a leader, I've learned to be a good listener, a role model, and an effective delegator. I've been able to develop my organization, management, negotiating, reasoning, responsibility, and planning skills through my offices and committees. With this varied experience I am more capable of helping others develop their skills.

- * Vice President of my local club (1996-1997), Secretary (1997-1998), and President (1997-2000).
- * Acting Secretary and now Treasurer of Jr. Leaders, responsible for \$40,000.00 of the club's money.
- * 1999-2003 - Member of the Chicken BBQ Committee, ordered food and supplies through comparative shopping, prepared utensil packets and set prices for the meals. I was also named Jr. Leader of the day, responsible for recruiting and overseeing volunteers working a six-hour shift.
- * Co-chair for the County 4-H Centennial Celebration, responsibilities included finding games, activities, and events for the day, shopping around for supplies and delegating work to other members of the committee. During the event I helped to make sure everything went smoothly for the four hundred attendees.

* 2001-2002 - Received county medal for leadership, as well as the "I Dare You Award" in, for my growth in being able to effectively lead and persuade others to go one step further.

Career Skills:

I have developed many skills through my participation with 4-H which will help me in a future career. Some of these are communication, writing, and speaking skills, teamwork and leadership skills. I have gained confidence when having to speak in front of groups or present an idea to a committee. Teamwork involves skills such as sociability, problem solving, decision-making, and listening. Serving on committees has really taught me more about being a good team member. You have to be able to respect other people's opinions and ideas and be able to highlight each other's strong points to get things accomplished.

* 1999-2000 - County winner for my speech "I Too Have A Dream" for Public Speaking. I was surprised to have reached this goal, as this was only my second year doing a speech.

* 2001-2002 - Participated as Mistress of Ceremonies for county Fashion Revue, Honors Evening as well as the State Activities Day Awards Ceremony.

* Made memory books and completed my junior/senior records each year.

* 2001 to Present - Member of the School Safety Board Committee where I have to give my input on issues and ways to solve them.

* Serving as secretary for several organizations has given me the chance to work on my communication skills. I have to be able to take my notes at meetings and clearly state what was said and decided upon in a report so that it can be used as a reference in the future.

* 2001-2002 - Served on the Student Opinion Journal staff. I wrote articles, edited other peoples' work, and formatted the journal.

* 2001-2003 - Teen Council member with duties such as brainstorming ideas for workshops, finding presenters, gathering information on speakers, working with a set budget, and planning a schedule of events. Most importantly, though, is the ability to work with the other thirteen members and advisors to get things accomplished on time.

* 1997-2003 - Active on the Fashion Revue committee. With the other members, I have brainstormed ideas for themes, bought and made the decorations, planned the opening of the program, designed the program cover, and help younger members at the Fashion Show.

Community Service:

Community Service has provided me with the opportunity to work with a diverse group of people. I have grown as an individual because not only am I teaching them, but in return they are teaching me. Through community service I am able to close the gap between the generations. My compassion, thoughtfulness, concern, acceptance, empathy, and social skills have greatly improved as a result of working with the diverse generations. Knowing I have made a difference in their lives is most rewarding.

* 1995 - 2000 - Planned and organized monthly favors and events for the Peabody Nursing Home.

* 1998 -1999 - My local 4-H club received the Colgate Youth Award for our service to the nursing home.

* 1998 - 2003 – Volunteer at New Hampshire Veterans Home. Varied duties to include gathering residents for activities, delivering mail, serving coffee, teaching residents to use a computer, assisting on field trips and outings, decorating and helping at dances, playing musical instruments, bringing the Sunshine Cart to the residents' room, and socializing.

* Received the Daughters of American Revolution Award for service to the New Hampshire Veterans Home.

* 2001-2003 - Worked in the local soup kitchen. Responsible for planning a well-balanced menu, shopping comparatively, cooking and serving the food, as well as setting tables, clean-up, and socializing.

* 1998-2002 - Involved with the Operation Santa Claus program with the Jr. Leaders' Club. The club provides for five children each year within a predetermined budget. Club members were responsible for purchasing items that the children need and want for reasonable prices.

* Donated clothing, puzzles, books, and food to the needy.

* 1998-1999 - Received a Community Service county medal for my records and story of how I have made a difference in other peoples' lives.

Education:

Winnisquam Regional High School: Tilton, New Hampshire
Graduation: 2004
Area of Study: College Prep

4-H Activities:

1999-2003 4-H Teen Conference delegate
2000-2001 Acting Secretary, 4-H Jr. Leaders
2000-2003 Secretary, 4-H Teen Council
2001-2002 Co-Chair, Centennial Celebration
2001-2003 Representative at 4-H Foundation Meeting

School Activities:

2000-2003 Class Secretary
2000-2003 Co-Editor of Yearbook
2001-2002 Secretary of Debate Club
2001-2003 Secretary of Student Council
2002-2003 Secretary of National Honor Society

Employment:

September 1999 to present - Sunday School Nursery Teacher
July 2000 to September 2000 - Page at the Northfield Library
2000 to present - Babysitter