

Professional Essay Form

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PLEASE NOTE: *In your own handwriting on a separate sheet of paper, respond to the six essay questions. The following criteria will be used in scoring your responses:*

1. **Teaching Techniques** - Applicant's responses are rated under the following topics: teaching effectiveness, teaching skills, motivation of students, daily preparation and attention to student needs.
2. **Teaching Practices** - Applicant's responses demonstrate an understanding of the characteristics of effective teaching practices.
3. **Development Knowledge of Students** - Applicant's responses demonstrate knowledge of the differentiated developmental characteristics of the individual child.
4. **Written Communication Skills** - Applicant's responses communicate coherently and effectively the knowledge of correct and appropriate language usage.
5. **Enthusiasm for Teaching** - Applicant's responses communicate the desire and energy to initiate a project and carry the project through to completion.

1. What is it about teaching that you find the most rewarding?
2. What teaching strategies have you found the most effective?
3. What are your major strengths as a teacher?
4. How would you organize your classroom to ensure success for all students?
5. What strategies do you utilize to involve parents in the educational process?
6. Why is it that you are interested in teaching at St. Mark's School?