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Dear Host Teacher:

You have been asked to host a UAS student for a one-week teacher aide experience. This admission requirement recognizes the importance of early exposure to the classroom to determine the student's ability to relate to children and begin the development of a good professional attitude. The student needs to complete 25 hours in your classroom, and as general guidelines, UAS suggests the following possible activities.

1. Work with individual students, including those with remedial problems, those who need enrichment and those who need assistance due to absences;
2. Work with small groups, including supervision or guidance of activities and review of work assignments; and
3. Assist the teacher with preparation for lessons and activities.

We understand this list is not exhaustive and certainly not meant to be restrictive. Our goal is to maximize the contact between the university student and the students in the class.

At the end of the student's experience, we ask that you complete an evaluation form. The major areas covered in the evaluation are personal qualities, accountability and communication. This evaluation will be used as part of the overall packet for admission to the education program. The evaluation form can be given to the student or mailed to the UAS Alaska College of Education.

UAS appreciates the support of the school district and willingness of school personnel to host beginning education students. If you or your colleagues have any questions or suggestions concerning the early classroom experience form, please contact me or one of the faculty.

Thank you for your assistance in improving the education program.

Sincerely,

Dr. Steve Atwater
Executive Dean