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Kelly Nelson, Lower School Division Director  
Cheryl Ting, Assistant Head of School  
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3245 Sheffield Ave.  
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Dear Mrs. Kelly Nelson and Mrs. Cheryl Ting,

A music teacher that got my start in the Bay Area 12 years ago, I am writing with interest in the K-5 music teacher position at Redwood Day School. I have settled into a teaching position for five years in my hometown after a move to be closer to my family, but now that family matters are settled, I am excited to be searching for a wonderful new teaching opportunity in the lovely, diverse community I know. I found the job listed on Linked In, and both the position and the school seem like a very good fit for me.

My past experience includes middle school, but I would have to say that I excel at and love to teach K-5 the most. I am an award winning independent singer songwriter of children's music, and the bulk of my creative efforts have been focused on this age group. I've written musicals, songs for performance, arrangements for recorder and Orff instruments, as well as performed myself. My approach to teaching elementary students is to make music accessible to all- derived from Orff a bit- and to allow students to use music as a channel to benefit their development and focus. Being a part of that process for this age group has been inspiring for me, and helping them succeed has been a big part of how I measure my success- I was also nominated by my administrator to be considered for the Grammy Music Teacher of the Year Award!

It would be a pleasure to talk with you more about teaching music at Redwood Day. I look forward to the chance to both reminisce about teaching in the Bay Area and look to the future of how that would work for me. Thank you for your time in considering me for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Margot Bevington