



Dear Principal,

Thank you for allowing our students to be placed with your teachers for practicum this semester. As you know, this is critical to their preparation as teachers. Field experiences allow them to link the theory and knowledge they are gaining in their university classes with observation and participation in best practice. It also provides them with the opportunity to demonstrate their performance as a beginning teacher with supportive feedback from mentor teachers and supervisors.

JMU is lucky to have the benefit of very experienced supervisors to work with our students in their practicum site. The supervisor working in your school will introduce himself or herself to you. If at any time this semester you or your teachers have any concerns, please share these with the supervisor or with me.

We appreciate your commitment and that of your faculty and staff. The preparation of future teachers is something that can only be done with the cooperation of university and school-based professionals.

Sincerely,

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