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# Early Childhood Professions I



**Objective:** Students will be able to demonstrate thankfulness for others.

Standard: 1.2.6

**Bell Work:** Think of a teacher/teachers that have inspired you. Be sure to think of what specific things they did that made a difference to you.

**Activity & Directions:** Write a letter to a teacher that has inspired you. (Examples on next pages)

Date goes here

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for being an absolutely amazing teacher and making such a positive impact on me the last 3 years of my high school career. From Accelerated Algebra to Honors Trigonometry to Advanced Placement Calculus, I do not think I would have made it through high school math without you. As you know, I have struggled since elementary school with mathematical concepts. The many extra hours you spent with me one-on-one before and after school brought everything together for me so that math finally clicked. Passing the national AP Calculus test along with earning strong math scores on the SAT has helped me tremendously in college.

I am following my dream and majoring in musical theater at ABC University. I have always wanted to study music and theater and have grown up with the attitude that I would have no use for any form of math. How very mistaken I was. I use advanced mathematical concepts in my college courses almost every day. For example, an understanding of various types of mathematics is necessary when studying music theory, writing music, working on set design and drawing lighting and elevation plans. I know I would not be where I am today without your patience and determination in teaching me algebra, trig and calculus.

I could not let another year go by without contacting you and letting you know what a positive difference you have made in my life, my college career and my future success. You are a very gifted teacher and I feel extremely fortunate to have had you for a high school teacher in my 3 upper level math courses. I hope the students you have this year realize how lucky they are to experience your wonderful teaching abilities.

Sincerely,

Your Name

Date goes here

Dear Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_,

The best word I could use to describe you is kind. That word isn't enough to describe how much of a good person you are. You are the most loving teacher I have ever met. You have shown me what a real teacher is, someone who not only teaches but cares, inspires, and goes beyond to be the best for her students.

The time I have spent in your class will be moments I will never forget. You showed me why teaching is so important. You are more than a teacher, you are a guide for your students. You are showing them what it is to be a good person to others as well as themselves. You teach them manners, to respect others, and most important to treat everyone the same. You teach them to be nice to each other and that is so important growing up in this world. The way you teach them to resolve conflict is to talk it out between themselves. I think that is so important, because it shows that you trust them to be responsible and solve their problems. That's a skill they will look back on and say "Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ taught me that."

When I asked the students why you are their favorite, they say "because Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ is nice and fun." It's not easy being a 4th grade teacher but you always handle each situation with compassion. You make every student feel important. I can't think of a better person to teach our future leaders than you. I have learned so much from you in the short time I have spent in your classroom. I have witnessed what it means to be a good teacher. You are the kind of teacher a child will remember as their favorite teacher they've ever had.

Sincerely, (Your Name on next line.)