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To Whom It May Concern:

I am interested in the Director of **Choral** Activities at Wapakoneta City Schools. I heard of this position through the current choral director, Daniel Landis. I am currently the 6-12 choir director in St. Marys, Ohio and have previously taught PK-12 music at Marimor School at the Allen County Board of Disabilities.

I believe in creating lifelong producers and intelligent consumers of music by learning and performing choral music from a variety of cultures, genres, and time periods. In my time teaching at St. Marys, choirs under my direction have frequently received excellent and superior ratings from adjudicators. I enjoy using music to build bridges in our local community. My choirs have had the opportunity to perform at Rotary events, American Legion events, and numerous sporting events.

I believe in incorporating technology into the choir classroom to help enhance and individualize learning. I currently use one to one chromebooks to help students critically reflect on their performances, compare and contrast music, and lead group discussions in google classroom. Choir students also complete a quarterly assessment based on students current sight reading level. It is a great way to stretch students regardless of their current ability.

In conclusion, I would be a great candidate for Director of Choral Activities at Wapakoneta City Schools. My family and I moved to Wapakoneta about 2 years ago and our oldest child is currently in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. I have nine years of educational experience to offer along with and endless passion for music education. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Marissa Lewis

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## Teaching Experience

**Vocal Music Instructor** at Saint Marys City Schools August 2014-Present

- Conducted seven choirs grades 6-12 including: 6<sup>th</sup> grade choir, 7<sup>th</sup> grade choir, 8<sup>th</sup> grade choir, Men's Chorus, Women's Chorus, Symphonic Choir, and extra-curricular show choir
- Grew the choir program to include over 150 middle schoolers and 110 high schoolers
- Increased high school men's participation from 7 students in 2014 to over 40 students currently
- Prepared, planned and taught beginning guitar in high school
- Implemented instructional and assessment strategies using chromebooks for district's one to one technology program
- Fostered musical opportunities including: Music in the Parks (7<sup>th</sup> grade choir), Solo & Ensemble, Large Group Adjudication, local television performances, Holiday Concert, Pops Concert, High School Choir Trips to Chicago and Toronto
- Continually earned excellent and superior ratings for soloists and ensembles
- Coordinated with St. Marys Choral Boosters to fundraise, budget, and spend choral funds
- Coordinated with athletic director, principals, and other fine arts staff to develop and advertise yearly fine arts calendar
- Directed Glitter-N-Gold show choir and coordinated community performances including: rotary, nursing home performances, Christmas-grams, Four Chaplains Ceremony at the American Legion, and caroling for the Salvation Army
- Musical director for high school and middle school musicals
- Co-led Fellowship of Christian Athletes organization
- Helped maintain and improve fine arts facilities including: scheduling piano tunings and repairs, purchasing new pianos, scheduling trainings for sound and light equipment, instructing staff on how to use facilities, and more

**Music Instructor** at Marimor School/Allen County Board of Disabilities. August 2012-May 2014

- Prepared, planned, and taught music to over 100 students grades preschool – twelve
- Adapted music standards and lessons to students' individual needs
- Developed assessment rubrics
- Fostered musical opportunities for students to interact with their typical peers
- Presented school wide Christmas Program and Celebration Assembly
- Created opportunities for students to improve performance, social, and life skills with community field trips and performances
- Facilitated a grant from the Very Special Arts for two consecutive years
- Facilitated a grant from the Ohio Arts Council
- Implemented behavior support plans, individual education plans, and success plans

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- Collaborated with other teachers to maximize students' success

## **Private Piano and Voice Studio**

August 2010-present

- Developed a private piano and vocal studio out of my home
- Created lessons plans, goals, and taught students 5-18 years old
- Communicated with parents to maximize students musical success
- Provide performance opportunities including an annual spring recital

## **Education**

Master's Degree in Teaching Artistry

August 2018

Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio

GPA of 3.9

Bachelor's Degree in Music Education

December 16, 2011

Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio

Magna Cum Laude

GPA of 3.8

High School Diploma

May 2008

Memorial High School, Saint Marys, Ohio

GPA of 3.9

## **References**

Mr. Jon Burke, High School Principal  
Saint Marys Memorial High School  
2250 State Route 66 North  
Saint Marys, Ohio 45885  
419-394-4312  
419-305-3769  
Jon.bruke@smriders.net

2550 Ada Road  
Lima, Ohio 45801  
419-302-0859

Mrs. Crista Heindel, accompanist  
Saint Marys City Schools  
8310 Celina-Mendon Road  
Celina, Ohio 45822  
419-953-8170

Mr. Dane Newlove, Retired Band Director  
Saint Marys City Schools  
06338 County Road 33A  
Saint Marys, Ohio 45885  
419-733-5491  
Dane.newlove@smriders.net

Dr. Sandra Stegman, Associate Professor  
Bowling Green State University  
419-873-0478  
sstegma@bgsu.edu

Mrs. Peggy Cockerell, Director of Education  
Marimor School

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From: **Diana Schneider** <phamschneider1968@gmail.com>  
Date: Wed, Mar 10, 2021 at 9:03 PM  
Subject: Diana Schneider - Intervention Specialist Position  
To: <suttni@wapak.org>  
Cc: <rexaa@wapak.org>

Mrs. Nikki Sutton, Principal  
Wapakoneta Elementary School  
900 North Blackhoof Street  
Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895

Dear Mrs. Sutton:

I would like to express my interest in employment with the Wapakoneta City Schools for the position of Intervention Specialist.

I have worked as an intervention specialist at Independence Elementary School (Lima City Schools) since August 2014. From August 2014 through May 2019, I worked as an intervention specialist for third grade and fourth grade in the subjects of Reading and Math. Since August 2019, I have worked with only the fourth grade. My yearly assignment is dependent on the number of students with IEPs that need served. In addition to my teaching duties, I have also served as the Intervention Assistance Team (IAT) Coordinator since August 2018.

My education and employment experiences are detailed in the attached resume. I believe my professional experiences, education, skills, and strong work ethic will greatly benefit the Wapakoneta City Schools. If I can provide any further information, please contact me at 419.738.5816.

Thank you,

Diana T. Schneider

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## Diana Trang Schneider

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- Education**
- Master of Education** · Principalship · Wright State University · Dayton, Ohio · December 2016
  - Master of Education** · Intervention Specialist · Wright State University · Dayton, Ohio · July 2014
  - Master of Library and Information Science** · Kent State University · Kent, Ohio · December 2001
  - Bachelor of Science in Education** · The Ohio State University · Columbus, Ohio · March 1994
- Licensure**
- Professional License as an Intervention Specialist for Grades K-12: Mild to Moderate, Reading Endorsement for Grades K-12 · License valid July 2017 to June 2022
  - Professional License as a Teacher for Grades 1-8 · License valid July 2017 to June 2022
  - Professional License as a Principal for Grades PK-6 and 4-9 · License valid July 2017 to June 2022
- Professional Development**
- LETRS · Lima City Schools · August 2018 to May 2020
  - iReady Math and iReady Reading Training · Lima City Schools · September 2019
  - ETR, IEP, and LILY Training · Lima City Schools · September 2018, May 2019
  - Working with Autistic Students · Lima City Schools · August 2018
  - Strategies for Teaching Writing in the Content Area · Lima City Schools · August 2018
  - GoalBook Toolkit and GoalBook Pathways · Lima City Schools · August 2018
  - PBIS Training · Lima City Schools · August 2018
  - Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Lesson Training · Lima City Schools · June 2018
  - Resident Educator Mentor Academy · ODE · June 2018
  - A.L.I.C.E. Training · Lima City Schools · October 2017
  - Google Docs and Schoology Training · Lima City Schools · August 2017
  - Math Solutions Training · Lima City Schools · August 2017
  - AIMSweb Assessment Training · Lima City Schools · August 2016
  - Skillful Teacher Training · Lima City Schools · August 2016
  - Trauma Informed Care Training/Threat Assessment · Lima City Schools · August 2016
  - Orton Gillingham Training · Lima City Schools · June 2014, June 2015
  - PAX Good Behavior Game Training · Lima City Schools · June 2014
- Teaching Experience**
- Intervention Specialist**
- Independence Elementary School, Lima City Schools      Lima, Ohio      August 2014 to Present
- Co-taught third grade reading and math in inclusion classrooms (August 2014 – May 2019)
  - Co-taught fourth grade reading and math in inclusion classrooms.
  - Progress monitored students with AIMSweb's assessments for Early Literacy: Letter naming fluency, letter sound fluency, phonemic segmentation fluency, word reading fluency, and oral reading fluency.



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- Progress monitored students with AIMSweb's assessments for Early Numeracy: Number naming fluency, quantity total fluency, number comparison fluency, and math facts fluency.
- Worked with students on an IEP towards meeting their IEP goals.
- Wrote progress reports for students with an IEP every 4.5 weeks.
- Wrote Evaluation Team Reports (ETR) for students during their initial evaluation and re-evaluations.
- Wrote students' IEP reports for initial implementation and annual reviews.
- Active involvement in fourth grade weekly TBT meetings.
  - Short cycle assessments in reading and math that involved pre-testing of students, dip-stick testing of students, post-testing of students, analyzed teaching strategies used and their levels of effectiveness, and discussed future applications of knowledge gained.
- Assisted with administration of AIR assessments, SLO assessments, benchmarking assessments, and common quarterly assessments for second, third, and fourth grade students.
- Served as a member of the special education focus monitoring group and special education internal monitoring committee.
- Served as the cooperating teacher for two student teachers.
- Mentored two resident educator candidates who were intervention specialists.
- Served on the ELA textbook selection committee.

## **Intervention Assistance Team (IAT) Coordinator**

Independence Elementary School, Lima City Schools      Lima, Ohio      August 2018 to Present

- Scheduled and conducted meetings which implemented and monitored interventions designed to help students achieve academic success.
- Made data based instructional decisions regarding student learning needs.
- Collected pertinent data (academic) on struggling students by interviewing teachers, parents, and the student, and gathered student history through curriculum based assessments, work samples, and report cards.
- Assisted teachers in implementation of progress monitoring methods for students involved in the IAT process to ensure the interventions were implemented with fidelity and showed student progress with charts and graphs.
- Provided documentation and progress monitoring data to school psychologists as needed.
- Created an atmosphere of sharing and cooperation at meetings with teachers, parents, students, school psychologist, and speech and language pathologist.
- Stayed current with IAT trends and research based interventions so teachers and students were offered a variety of interventions to choose from.

## **Title 1 Teacher**

Independence Elementary School, Lima City Schools      Lima, Ohio      December 2013 to July 2014

- Taught early reading skills and early math skills with research based interventions to first and second grade students who had not met benchmark levels to help them achieve needed proficiency levels.
- Progress monitored students with AIMSweb's Curriculum Based Assessments for Test of Early Literacy (TEL): Letter name fluency, letter sound fluency, phonemic segmentation fluency, and nonsense word fluency, and oral reading fluency.
- Progress monitored students with AIMSweb's Curriculum Based Assessments for Test of Numeracy (TEN): oral counting, missing number, number identification, and quality discrimination, and math computation.
- Co-taught writing with a second grade teacher daily in an inclusion classroom.
- Active involvement in first grade and second grade weekly TBT meetings.
- Assisted with administration of AIMSweb's benchmark assessments, Ohio's Diagnostic Tests, and Ohio Pro-Core Tests primarily for first and second grade students.
- Member of IAT committee.





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Wapakoneta City Schools  
Aaron Rex, Superintendent  
Angela Sparks, Treasurer/CFO  
Mike Watt, Director of Operations



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**APPLICATION FOR PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT**

Date of Application 03/17/2021 Date Available for Assignment 08/2021  
Name Speakman Makenzie B  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)  
Permanent Address 3054 Coonpath Road Carroll OH 43112  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)  
Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number 740-438-4684  
Email Address: mbspeak1721@gmail.com  
Temporary Address 1 University Drive Bluffton OH 45817  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)  
Dates Effective \_\_\_\_\_

**POSITIONS DESIRED**

1<sup>st</sup> Preference: Intervention Specialist - High School  
2<sup>nd</sup> Preference: Intervention Specialist - 4th Grade  
3<sup>rd</sup> Preference: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Full Time  Part Time Will you consider assignments as a substitute?  Yes  No

**EDUCATION**

SCHOOL AND LOCATION	DATES OF ATTENDANCE (From - To)	SEMESTER HOURS	KIND OF DEGREE	DATE AWARDED	MAJOR	MINOR
(High School) Fairfield Christian Academy Lancaster, OH			High School Diploma			
(College) Bluffton University	August 2017 - Present		Bachelor's of Arts		Early Childhood Education & Intervention Specialist	Psychology
(College)						
(Graduate Study)						



Makenzie Speakman

**STUDENT TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

INCLUSIVE DATES (From - To)	NAME OF SCHOOL	LOCATION (City and State)	GRADES OR SUBJECTS TAUGHT	SUPERVISING TEACHER
08/12/20 - 12/3/20	Liberty Arts Magnet	Lima, OH	First Grade	Mary Moore

01/19/2021 - Present Wapakoneta High School Wapakoneta, OH 8th Grade Intervention Kara Sextro

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

(List all teaching experience chronologically. Do not include student teaching. Be certain of accuracy of dates.)

INCLUSIVE DATES (From - To)		TOTAL NUMBER of YEARS	FULL DAY	HALF DAY	NAME OF SCHOOL (Indicate Public or Private)	ADDRESS (Street, City, State, Zip)	GRADE OR SUBJECTS TAUGHT
MO./YR	MO./YR						

**EXPERIENCE OTHER THAN TEACHING**

(List chronologically.)

INCLUSIVE DATES (From - To)	TYPE OF WORK	NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER
06/05/2020 - Present	Retail at T.J. Maxx	Tiffany Judson; 1330 River Valley Blvd. Lancaster, OH 43130
03/19/2018 - 05/01/2020	Student Ambassador	Samantha Shrider 1 University Drive, Bluffton, OH 45817
05/22/2019 - 01/03/2020	Summer Day Camp Counselor	Carrie Forgacs; 465 W 6th Ave, Lancaster, OH 43130

**PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

List below three or more persons qualified to give information regarding your professional expertise. (Include only school superintendents, principals, supervising teachers, and college professors.)

NAME	POSITION	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE NUMBER
Mary Moore	First Grade Teacher	338 W Kibby St, Lima, OH 45804	(419) 996-3320
Kara Sextro	Intervention Specialist	1 Redskin Trail, Wapakoneta, OH 45895	(419) 739-5200
Tim Byers	Retired College Professor	byerst@bluffton.edu	419-302-2683
Gayle Trollinger	Education Department Chair	1 University Drive, Bluffton, OH 45817	419.358.3341
Angie Heffner	Elementary School Principal	338 W Kibby St, Lima, OH 45804	(419) 996-3320

Mackenzie Speakman

Have you passed the Praxis or OAE?  Yes  No If so, in what area(s)? **Foundations of Reading (090); Special**

**Education (043); Early Childhood Education (012); Professional Knowledge: Early Childhood (PK-3) (001)**

LICENSURE (Enclose copy of license)

OHIO LICENSE(S) CURRENTLY VALID	AREA OF LICENSURE	DATE ISSUED Month/Day/Year	DATE EXPIRED Month/Day/Year

**PERSONAL/RELATED INFORMATION**

During the past year, how many days were you absent from work or school due to illness? One

Have you ever worked or gone to school under another name?  Yes  No If so, what name? \_\_\_\_\_

List extra-curricular activities you can coach or sponsor. Volleyball, Softball, Student Council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Musical, National Honor Society

Are you working toward an advanced degree?  Yes  No Where? \_\_\_\_\_

If employed, why do you wish to leave your present position? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been dismissed from a teaching position or asked to resign?  Yes  No If yes, explain. \_\_\_\_\_

Are you under contract for the upcoming school year?  Yes  No

Any offer of employment will be contingent upon satisfactory results of a criminal background check. Ohio law disqualifies individuals with certain criminal backgrounds from employment in public schools.

THIS APPLICATION IS NOT COMPLETE WITHOUT A SIGNATURE BELOW.

I hereby affirm that the information given by me in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. This affirmation refers to employment history, degree(s) earned and courses taken. I understand that any misrepresentation, falsification or omission will be sufficient cause for denial of employment or discharge if I have been employed. The school district has my permission to contact all past and present employers.

IF YOU ARE HIRED IN A REGULAR TEACHING POSITION, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE TRANSCRIPTS OF CREDITS EARNED SO THEY MAY BE VERIFIED FOR SALARY PURPOSES.

Signature Mackenzie Speakman Date 3/17/2021

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The Wapakoneta City School District will not discriminate with regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, or any handicapping condition.



