

To whom it may concern:

This correspondence serves as my formal notice that I am interested in serving as the Southern Chapter Member-at- Large for the Michigan AEYC Governing Board. I have been a member of the Michigan AEYC for the past four years in which I was fortunate to have been a recipient of the TEACH scholarship. I was fortunate to have earned my associate degree and then my bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education with the assistance of the TEACH scholarship with Michigan AEYC.

I have worked in the Early Childhood Education field for over twenty-five years with Head Start. I have worked in a multitude of capacities from preschool teacher, family services coordinator, education specialist, center director, and my current role of enrollment and family engagement manager. I am also a certified CLASS reviewer and Mentor Teacher for six of our teachers in our current Head Start program. I know I have many years of experience and knowledge in early childhood education that I can bring to this Governing Board position that will benefit the Southern Michigan region.

I currently serve as a member of our program governance body, in which I am a management team member of the Policy Council Governance Body. We meet quarterly and review program policies, expenditures, assessments, grant applications, and enrollment. I provide training and technical assistance to the governing body as well. I do provide an initial orientation training overview on enrollment, recruitment, attendance, CLASS overview, and self-assessment of the program.