

Teaching Experience at Charter School Positive

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I have been teaching school for nine years. Eight of those years, I have been teaching in charter schools. This is my seventh contract with Winfree Academy Charter Schools. Winfree Academy is a unique school that is self-paced and geared to meet the individual needs of each and every student. Our school graciously receives students who were not successful in a traditional school setting, offers a nursery for young mothers to bring their babies, while working on their course work, offers a drug free program, for those students bold enough to kick their addictions, and allows student the opportunity to graduate early. As a teacher with Winfree Academy Charter Schools, I have been tremendously blessed by this experience. I have grown both as a teacher and a person. As a teacher, I am rewarded to know that I have helped many students pass the Tass and Taks test, enabling them to graduate high school. As a person, I have grown in leadership and management skills, as well as in patience. I would not be the person I am today without Winfree Academy Charter Schools. Without our school, many students would not have a place to go to receive a quality education, in a safe and nurturing environment. Charter schools are the future in public education and our students desperately need them. Thank you for your time and concern.

Sincerely,

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