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Dear Dr. Allen:

Please consider this letter as my application for the position vacated by Mr. De Groot at your university. Mr. De Groot informed me last night that he had recommended me as a possible candidate for his position and I am taking this opportunity to indicate my interest in that regard.

I am sincerely interested in physical education as a career and this opportunity, if realized, will enable me to further my aspirations toward this end. I have what is considered by many a strong background in the theory and practice of both physical education and recreation as gained under Mr. D.S. De Groot at San Jose State College. As Director of Physical Education, Mr. De Groot raised the physical education curriculum standards at that school from relative mediocrity to a level considered second to none here on the coast.

Feeling weak in the health and hygiene part of our work, I decided to supplement this weakness by attendance at Stanford University, a school long noted for its training in these fields. Working towards my master's degree, I completed approximately fifty units at Stanford. I do not have my degree as yet but have completed all of the academic courses required and have only the writing of the thesis to accomplish.

Aside from eighteen units of practice teaching, I have gained practical experience in two private schools and one public school all on the secondary level. I have achieved some success in the guidance and counseling of students during my experience as a teacher and this fact together with my athletic experience and travel will, I hope, qualify me for your consideration.

It is my opinion that successful teaching of professional courses in physical education is dependent upon a practical experience in this field gained in each of the lower levels of education. Further, I believe that any advanced teaching should be preceded by a wide variety of individual experiences as might be gained from life itself as well as in formalized educational situations. In this regard I refer to my experience as gained from working my way through school as a chemist in a cannery and also to some traveling which has taken me from coast to coast a number of times, numerous trips to both Canada and Mexico, and three trips to the Hawaiian Islands.