Hello my name is Kayla Prosser and my goal for the future is to go to UACCM and get a degree in Early Childhood Development. With this degree, I plan to find a position as a teacher's assistant. The educational requirements needed to do this are a high school diploma and an associate's degree; in some cases a bachelor's degree may be required for some positions. My starting salary would be around \$26,000 to \$27,000 annually as a teacher's assistant. I know that this is not a lot of money but I feel that working with children would allow me to realize my dream and work in the field that I love. The number of locations that I would be able to work are numerous. Many school districts headstart programs and daycares utilize teacher's assistants. This degree would allow me to be able to choose the community that I would like to live and raise a family.

The reason I wanted to choose this career is because I can work with young children and assist them with their daily assignments. I enjoy being very creative and feel that this creativity would benefit me in my goal of being a teaching assistant. I really enjoy teaching and helping kids learn. I am very helpful to the teachers that I have had the privilege to work with at Clinton preschool. Not only do I work with the preschool children, but I also volunteer a lot of my time to Ozark Health hospital. One of my community service projects was the volunteen program where I helped in the nursing home in Clinton. I assisted the residents in many activities, from art to BINGO, to painting nails to reading to some of the bed bound residents.

The Early Childhood Development program would be a great career for me because I enjoy this field. I think it would be a great opportunity for me in the future because I like to be around children. Also, I am very helpful and a hard worker. In high school, I have a job helping out preschool teachers and children with a lot of things that the teacher assigns me to do. Some examples of my assignments include, setting up

the cots for nap time, copying and sorting papers, and helping the children with their lunch and snacks. It was very fun doing this job in high school.

An associates degree in Early Childhood Development will help me achieve my career goal of being a teacher's assistant in the future. All the examples and experiences that I put in this essay demonstrate why I would be good at this career and enjoy my job. I believe this essay explains a little about what I want to do in my life and my future plans. I hope you have learned a little about me and my goals for the future.