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**Hello!**

**It is with great pleasure that I found this opportunity to get involved with Northwestern University and the Center for Connected Learning.**

**I have spent over 25 years in the classroom from Downers Grove, IL to Livermore, CA to San Diego, CA and back to Chicago Public Schools. Over that time I have continued to think about and execute professional development alongside my peers focused on the best ways to engage students in learning mathematics using the best tools available. I have taught in classrooms from 6 - 12 and have focused on the 8/9 grade transition in districts, recently aligning CCSS with multiple buildings and educators.**

**In Mountain House, CA I lead a team at the district level where we developed, piloted, and supported custom math content 6 - 12 to support 1:1 classrooms in a brand new school. Currently my work with North Lawndale CPHS as math department lead has us supporting classrooms with a vast array of scholar backgrounds with custom curriculum in an underserved community.**

**I have a varied background and comfort with professional development in my field. From a keynote speaker at FlipCon Chicago to county-based teacher immersions to NCTM conferences, this is a strong part of my skill set and also a focus for my career ahead. I have mentored more teachers than I can list, most recently NU graduate Mr. Josep Ferret, who worked with me at North Lawndale College Prep.**

**At this point of my career I am driven to think more about math education, pedagogy and modern assessment practices. As a fellow Big10 grad, I have the utmost respect for Northwestern University and this would be an awesome entry point into the teacher development field.**

**Best!**

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