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Hello my name is Chelsie Fugate, I am originally from Payette, a small town in southern Idaho. I will be student teaching in Troy, Idaho under the supervision of Mr. Steve Braun. Having the opportunity to complete my student teaching in a smaller community will allow me to understand how a smaller school runs their program.

The courses I have taken both at Lewis-Clark State College and the University of Idaho have given me the necessary academic background as well as hands-on practical experience in plant science, nursery management, animal science, and agriculture systems management courses. These classes have given me the experience and knowledge needed to teach in the high school classroom, the shop and the laboratory.

My 2 years of volunteer work with the University of Idaho's CFFA has given me experience in developing leadership through the FFA program. Volunteering through the CFFA in helping put on the North Idaho District CDE's, making blankets for Gritman Medical Center has given me the opportunity to see how those events develop student leadership skills. Attending the National FFA Convention as a volunteer in conducting the parliamentary procedure CDE has opened my eyes to help understand the importance of training a CDE team. It is my goal to have a CDE team compete at the national level and with these skills I have obtained I believe I will have great success. I have participated in numerous fundraising activities such as making corn hole board, the Palouse harvest festival, and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences corn maze which has given me ideas to help my own program.

In my free time I work as a life guard at Hamilton Aquatic Center and the University of Idaho Swim Center. I enjoy helping Don Renz with his small catering business, and my Aunt at her Day Spa. Through these businesses, I have had the opportunity to be involved in numerous fundraising activities such as teaming up with the Potlatch Booster Club to help raise money for different student organizations. I have volunteered to help Idaho Drug Free Youth by chaperoning for their events and fundraisers. After graduating in the spring of 2013 I plan to do find a teaching job in the northwest or teach overseas.

I am excited to share my knowledge to students who are excited about agriculture education.