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“Moving The Chains” Through Collaboration

In my role as an educational leader in the city of Newark, I worked tirelessly to achieve the goals outlined by my district’s strategic plan. I recently gave newly arrived immigrant students a voice by publishing an inquiry project highlighting the stories and needs of their families. This turned into an action plan that used the voices of students and parents to bring greater educational equity to my school. I worked with teachers to analyze the US 1 curriculum and think of ways of making it more culturally relevant while giving more attention to black history as mandated by New Jersey's Amistad Law. I helped start the district's first ever Summer Enrichment program at the number one rated high school in Newark, Science Park. In this program, I collaborated with parents and community partners to provide enrichment and paid internships using parent and student feedback. As a lead teacher, I helped ninth graders increase their NJSLA scores by 25% while there were vacancies in the English department. There are many other stories from creating systems to reduce suspensions amongst special education students to forming acceleration programs aligned to the mission and vision of both my school and the district.

These are a few examples of the many projects my leaders have entrusted me with and that I have effectively facilitated in the city of Newark. I am a team player and will work smart and hard to help fulfill your district's goals. My goal is to help assist in any strategic plans, to collaborate for the continuous growth and betterment of your organization’s mission and vision. I look forward to interviewing with you,

Respectfully,



Vinicio Sebastian Quinteros
Teacher, leader, husband, father, team player and friend