Professional Learning and Ethical Practice

Title of Artifact: Interview with a Special Education Teacher Date Completed: Fall 2011

In Introduction to Exceptionalities EDU 211, we were instructed to conduct an interview with a Special Education Teacher from a local school or a parent of a child with exceptionalities. For the interview that I conducted, I met up with the Special Education teacher at Gresham Elementary School. Throughout the interview I asked multiple questions ranging from all different topics. Some were about the students in her classroom, the parents of the students, teachers in the school and how they help with special education, meetings she must attend and assessments that she must perform in her classroom.

This artifact aligns with the Professional Learning and Ethical Practice Standard. The teacher that I interviewed answered questions that I asked her and was very thorough on her answers. The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate her practice, particularly the effects of her choices and actions on others and apapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

I really liked meeting with the Special Education Teacher and learning new strategies of dealing with exceptional students. I learned some very important information from her and I hope to use that someday when I am a teacher.