

# Thomas Perez

Front End Developer

Dear Hiring Staff,

When I turned eleven I purchased my first computer. Since then I have been hooked on the internet and how it keeps us connected and informed. Over the last four years I have dedicated my time after work to teaching myself front-end web development in the evenings. I began by teaching myself HTML, CSS, and Javascript using YouTube and a few courses on Udemy. In the last two years I have progressed into learning more about React, Node.js, Material UI, and using GitHub to keep my code organized. I started out on this tech journey like many others, by accidentally stumbling upon the “inspect” button and seeing first hand how amazing and exciting it was to edit a webpage with my fingertips.

During the mornings and afternoons I work as a high school math teacher. I teach my students mainly algebra 1, 2 and geometry. My main focus has always been working with students with disabilities, as they are the students who need us the most. Students with disabilities have the same graduation requirements as their general education peers, but they require much more dedication, time, and focus, just like computers and applications do.

Being an outstanding teacher has required me to be able to grab complex concepts and boil them down to their most basic elements. Just like working on a website or application, a teacher must be specific at targeting the weak points of a student. Once the weak points are identified I am responsible for following up with the appropriate support personnel to improve and eliminate any and all weaknesses. Working in a team and using the support personnel I have had at my disposal has been an essential part of the success of myself and my students.

Teamwork is essential for the success of our students and teaching has taught me the value of working efficiently within a team. As a result of this team based approach I have taken toward education I have been blessed to work alongside: student advocates, lawyers, paraprofessionals, tutors, school psychologists, parents, fellow teachers, and school administrators, to help improve our students' chances at academic and social success. This success is largely due to my ability to work efficiently and consistently with others. This is also the main set of soft skills I will bring with me to your team.

I know working efficiently within a team is essential to making a successful transition into a junior web developer role. I am confident that my background and experience working together with students, school staff, and parents will align perfectly with this position. I am always up for a challenge and love learning new things.

If after seeing my [portfolio](#), resume, and cover letter, you feel I would be a better fit for a different role at your company, please share this with me. I am open and willing to consider any position where I can learn and continue to grow my skill set as a developer. I appreciate your consideration regardless of the outcome. Speak to you soon.

Sincerely,



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