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Dear all,

My name is Annie Tritt. I am a 24-year-old student at the University of Education (Pädagogische Hochschule) in Freiburg, Germany, studying to become a primary school teacher. In order to graduate, I am required to write a thesis (in educational science) which must include original research, preferably based on a questionnaire.

Being a US citizen, I spend my summers on Cliff Island, Maine, a small island off the coast of Portland, ME. This past September, I was able to do an internship at their one-room schoolhouse, which currently comprises five students ranging from five to eleven years in age.

Realizing how little I, and many other people, know about these small schools, I decided to write my paper on one-room schoolhouses, expecting to learn more about this unique learning environment. I also hope to provide valuable feedback to the schools and maybe assist in establishing learning collaborations between the individual schools.

As you can imagine, there are very few one-room schoolhouses left, and it is very hard to find these schools online. I am therefore asking for your support and help.

Are you aware of any such small schools in your state and would you be willing to give me their email or postal addresses, so that I can approach them directly?

I hope that with your help, I will be able to contact as many of those one-room schools as possible so that my thesis can eventually help a number of students, teachers, and schools.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your help and all the best, Annie Tritt

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