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About Rebecca:

I grew up in Australia, where my academic journey laid the groundwork for a career fueled by advocacy, empowerment, and the pursuit of free and fair education. After earning both my bachelor's and master's degrees in criminology, I immersed myself in public service roles within various Australian government departments. However, my trajectory took a unique turn when I ventured to Japan, where I spent nearly a decade as an ESL specialist in junior high schools and private institutions, advocating for language education and empowering students to reach their full potential, from a variety of backgrounds.

I returned to university to obtain my formal teaching credentials and solidify my dedication to providing innovative and diverse educational policies. As a student in Montana, I am engaged with a different kind of diversity to that of Tokyo, including rural, indigenous, and multicultural students daily. I continue to champion the values of advocacy, empowerment, and equitable education, striving to enact innovative policies that ensure every student has access to quality learning opportunities. With roots spanning three countries, and both rural and city educational systems, I am uniquely positioned to embrace diverse perspectives and drive positive change on a local, national, and global scale.