



SUMMARY

Originally from Brazil, I grew up in Rio de Janeiro and lived for almost 6 years in Sao Paulo. I moved to the U.S. in 2015 and lived in New York City and New Jersey before moving to Washington State. I currently live in Lake Stevens with my two beautiful daughters, Julia (14) and Carolina (17), my husband and my husband's son Jordan (11).

I have over 25 years of experience teaching preschool and elementary school. I received a Bachelor's of Education and have extensive professional development and college education in pedagogy, special education and educational administration. Recently, I was accepted to a Master's Program at Arizona University State in Curriculum and Instruction (Early Childhood Education).

Throughout my career, I taught elementary school in Brazil and simultaneously coached and trained other teachers in their professional development center called "The Knowledge Center." In the United States, I started as a Preschool Lead Teacher at Goddard School. Later, I worked at Launch Madrona as the Program Specialist before becoming the Program Director. At Launch Learning, I also worked simultaneously as the Program Director at Launch Madrona and Launch Beacon Hill International Elementary School in Seattle, coordinating over 20 teachers, 2 cooks and serving a community with over 150 families.

Equally productive was my experience as at Synergy Learning Academy, where I worked as a School Director providing the owner and Executive Director support with the hiring process. Additionally, I worked for Bright Horizons as the Center Director, but due to the COVID-19 situation, I was furloughed. Since the pandemic started, I decided to work on my master's degree and on my own business as an Educational Consultant.

In my free time, I teach Portuguese (children and adults), love reading, cooking, and going to the movies with my daughters. I used to sing in choirs, in Brazil and New Jersey, and I also play some musical instruments. Some of my favorite things to do with my family are hiking, running, and traveling.

CARINA CONTARINI

EDUCATION

Arizona State University, City of Tempe, AZ

Master's Degree in Curriculum & Instruction (Early Childhood Education) – Jan/2020 - Present

Education Instituto A Vez do Mestre, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Completion of a 360-hour professional development training program in Psychopedagogy – Special Education - 2010 - 2012

FAFIMA: Faculdade de Filosofia, Ciencias e Letras de Macae, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil - Bachelor's degree in Education - 1999 – 2003

Early Childhood Education Vocational High School, Petropolis, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil – Teaching Certificate - 1994 – 1996

CERTIFICATION

Washington State Food Worker Card

Public Health Seattle & King County - August 2020

Washington State Department of Children, Youth and Families online trainings – March 2020

- Mandated Reporter: Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse
- Safe Sleep
- Immunization in Child Care
- Disaster & Emergency Preparedness
- Medication Management
- Abusive Head Trauma
- Families Experiencing Homelessness

CPR, AED and First Aid for Children, Infants and Adults

Pediatric Plus - October 2019

Social Emotional Learning with Data

SOWA – School's Out Washington - January 2019

Right Response Advanced Certification Workshop

Service Alternatives Training Institute - February 2018

Initial 30 Hours Stars Training

Successful Solutions Training in Child Development - January 2017



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LIVES IN:
Lake Stevens, WA

STRENGTHS

- Passionate about learning
- Public speaking
- Committed and highly organized
- Time management and planning skills
- Leadership and problem-solving
- People person and communicative
- Bilingual - fluent Portuguese and English
- Multi-cultural diversity awareness and immigration experience

WORK EXPERIENCE

Education Consultant – Self Employed

From August 2020 - Present

Bright Horizons West Campus – Center Director

From September 2019 – June 2020 - Bellevue, WA

Synergy Learning Academy – School Director

From July 2019 – September 2019 - Issaquah, WA

Launch Learning – Program Director

From April 2018 – June 2019 - Madrona Elementary School & Beacon Hill International Elementary School - Seattle, WA

Launch Learning – Program Specialist

From September 2017 – April 2018
Madrona Elementary School - Seattle, WA

Goddard School – Lead Teacher - Preschool

From July 2016 – September 2017 - Bellevue, WA & Issaquah, WA

Escola da Vila – Elementary School Teacher & Teaching Coach

From January 2011 – February 2015 – Sao Paulo, SP Brazil

Elementary & Middle School Tutor – Self-Employed

From January 2009 - December 2010 – Macae & Petropolis, RJ Brazil

Escola Criarte – Kindergarten & Elementary School Teacher

From January 2005 – December 2008 – Macae, RJ Brazil

Escola Alfa – Preschool School Teacher & Education Coordinator

From January 1999 – December 2004 – Macae, RJ Brazil
