# Nick Murphy

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## **Purpose Statement**

According to the Programme for International Student Assessment, the U.S performed below average in math in 2012 and was ranked among participating countries. In response to this, my goals as a math educator are to make math as engaging as possible for students through inquiry-based learning, and reinforcing positive growth mindsets in all students.

#### Education

Bachelor of Science, Mathematics

Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, Graduated December 2015

Masters in Teaching, Secondary Education

Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA, Graduated June 2017

## School-based work experience

### Bishop blanchet High School

 Full time Mathematics teacher, Fall 2020 - Winter 2022. Teacher of 5 math classes that includes grades 9-12. Subjects taught were Geometry and Calculus

## Chancellors School, Brookmans Park, UK

 Full time Maths teacher, Fall 2019 - Summer 2020. Teacher of 5 maths classes starting at the Year 7 level and up to Year 11. Subjects taught ranging between foundational maths to pre-calculus. Brought into the school as part of the UK-based Quantum Scholars program.

## Bellingham High School, Bellingham School District, Washington

Guest Teacher, Spring 2017- Spring 2019. Responsibilities included: Adhering to the
curriculum and lesson plans assigned by the regular teacher. Follow procedures and
achieve lesson goals. Oversee students outside of the classroom including in the
hallways and cafeteria. Take attendance and document daily notes. Oversee the
normal classroom routines and activities. Compiling a report for the teacher for when
he/she return.

## Additional Experience

Math Tutor, From Winter 2014 - Spring 2017. Worked through Western's Student
Outreach Services to tutor students in Math, with a focus on providing aid to students
who were part of the university's Ethnic Student Center.

Shuksan Middle School, Bellingham School District

- Guided Teach, Winter 2016 Spring-2016. Worked alongside two other classmates
  with a group of eight 7<sup>th</sup> grade students to help them understand and build on the idea
  of empathy. We also guided our students through a project centered on individual
  identity.
- Service Learning, Winter 2016 Spring 2016. Volunteered at the PM BEATS after school student outreach program where I engaged with many students one-on-one in activities such as basketball, soccer, skateboarding, music producing, homework help, and more.
- Compass 2 Campus, Winter 2013. Provided teacher assistance in an 8th grade social studies classroom.

#### References

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