

Dana Saunders

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EDUCATION

California State University Chico

Multiple Subject Teaching Credential

May 2014

Bachelor of Arts in **Liberal Studies** with a minor in **Special Education**

May 2013

- ITEC (Integrated Teacher Education Core – three year program with BA and minor)
- GPA: 3.84
- Dean's Honor List, Golden Key International Honour Society member, Phi Kappa Phi Society member

PROFESSIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fourth Grade Student Teacher (Practicum II), Los Molinos Elementary School, Los Molinos, CA: Spring 2014

- Current student teaching placement will be completed in May 2014.

Second Grade Student Teacher (Practicum I), Shasta Elementary School, Chico, CA: Fall 2013

- Responsible for planning and delivering lessons, classroom management, and grading and analyzing work
- Created and implemented strategies to engage, teach, support, and challenge students
- Developed wonderful relationships with students, parents, and staff members
- Participated in parent/teacher conferences and back to school night
- Implemented a variety of SDAIE strategies to meet needs of all students (including EL students)
- Implemented positive reinforcement strategies to support classroom management
- Connected engaging lessons with Common Core standards, content standards, and EL standards
- Assisted in analyzing student report cards and assessments
- Substituted in teacher's absence

FIELD EXPERIENCE THROUGH CAVE (COMMUNITY ACTION VOLUNTEERS IN EDUCATION)

Intern, Math Internship, Chico State, Chico, CA: Spring 2013

- Worked with small groups (third, fourth, and sixth graders) implementing challenging math strategies
- Formal reflection with peers regarding students and the learning process

Mild/Moderate Resource Room Classroom Aide, Hooker Oak Elementary School Chico, CA: Fall 2012

- Worked collaboratively with four classroom aides
- Worked individually with students with a variety of learning disabilities
- Instructed small group language arts and mathematics lessons

Resource Room Observer, Marsh Jr. High, Chico, CA (6 hours of observation)

Special Day Class Observer, Chico High School (6 hours of observation)

Multiple Grades Teacher Assistant, Capay Elementary School Orland, CA: Spring 2012

- Assisted in Kindergarten classroom with small group math work and art projects
- Supported and guided student reading in a first grade classroom
- Conducted small group science experiments in a fifth grade classroom
- Observed and worked with students with behavior issues

Intern, Science Internship, Chico State, Chico, CA: Fall 2011

- Implemented hands-on science experiments with groups of students to challenge and teach
- Connected lessons to California Science Content Standards

First/Second Grade Classroom Aide, Little Chico Creek Elementary School, Chico, CA: Fall 2011

- Involved with program called "Special Pals": worked as an instructional assistant for student with behavior issues
- Worked individually with students needing extra help with math and reading

Resource Room Teacher Assistant, Little Chico Creek Elementary School Chico, CA: Spring 2011

- Worked with students one-on-one for work completion and understanding
- Participated in Special Olympics

Third Grade Teacher Assistant, Emma Wilson Elementary School Chico, CA: Fall 2010

- Assistant Student Teacher: provided classroom and student support

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Counselor, Conejo Recreation and Park District: Wildwood Day Camp: Summer 2011

- Responsible for group of 7-10 kids ranging from ages 6-12
- Hiking, Arts and Crafts, Archery, Swimming, Games, Songs, and Sports

ACHIEVEMENTS

High School, Oak Park High School, Oak Park, CA 2006-2010

- **Class President (all four years)**, Associated Student Body, Oak Park High School, Oak Park, CA: 2006-2010
- **Basketball Captain**, Women's Basketball Team: 2008-2009, 2009-2010