

I am an experienced teacher of 15 years, currently completing a program pursuing a Colorado elementary teaching license with the Friends Teacher Preparation Program. I am dedicated to building inclusive and equitable relationships with students, parents, and colleagues to create an engaging and collaborative learning environment that contributes to each child's success.

## Professional Experience

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**Boulder Country Day School**  
Gunbarrel, CO

Teacher Candidate – Friends School Teacher Preparation Program  
Aug 2018 – May 2019

- One year of classroom experience in elementary education.
- Planned and implemented a thematic unit about the Boulder County Watershed.
- Use reflective analysis of instructional strategies to create intentional and engaging lessons, creating interactive learning opportunities for each child.
- Collaborate with colleagues on student projects.

**Treehouse Learning, LLC**  
Louisville, CO

Lead Teacher & Preschool Lead  
Aug 2009 – July 2018

- Experienced teacher with an average of 27 students.
- Research, design, and implement innovative and engaging lesson plans and activities that develop intellectual, physical, and social/emotional learning.
- Successfully improve student participation in the classroom through integration of creative role-playing exercises.
- Successfully reduced student behavior issues by establishing a strong teamwork environment.
- Explore and implement project-based learning that allows students to become better self-learners.
- Plan, implement, monitor, and assess student development through individual observations and documentation.
- In two months, increased literacy skills of Pre-K students to 90% of children recognizing all letters of the alphabet and 50% of children knowing all letter sounds.
- Created individualized goal sheets to differentiate and scaffold children's learning and document progress.
- Develop reciprocal, culturally responsive relationships with families and community to improve communication and trust between teachers, students, and parents.
- Track and meet yearly continuing education guidelines to implement new knowledge in the classroom setting.
- Analyzed Colorado Academic Standards (CAS) in order to create and develop child assessment forms.
- Act as a liaison between teaching teams and administration to maintain policies, solve problems, and improve curriculum.
- Train and mentor diverse teaching teams with successful outcomes in classroom management, behavior management, and curriculum focused strategies.

**Peace of Mind Early Education**

Woodbury, MN

Lead Teacher &amp; Program Coordinator

Sep 2000 – Apr 2001, July 2001 – Oct 2002, Sep 2005 – Aug 2009

- Set up individualized learning plans for students in a mixed age classroom (3 to 5-year-olds).
- Knowledge of human behavior and performance, individual differences in ability, personality, and interests, using different learning styles for student achievement.
- Experience implementing and evaluating assessments while tracking progress using verbal and written communication and formalized recording methods for semiannual parent/teacher conferences.
- Successful in collaborative design, implementation, and supervision of developmentally appropriate program including day-to-day operation and curriculum, field trips, and special events.
- Achieved team mentor status; training and guiding team members in the classroom.
- Schedule and conduct tours of the school for families interested in enrolling.

**Hillsborough Kids Inc.**

Tampa, FL

Family Services Counselor &amp; Care Manager

Oct 2002 – Aug 2005

- Crisis intervention, counseling, and protective supervision for children and families.
- Researched, developed, and implemented case plans for families in the child welfare system.
- Coordinated meetings and therapy for families; supervise parent/child visits.
- Attended and participated in court hearings regarding family progress on case plans.
- Observed and recorded behaviors of children and families for use in court document writings and hearings.
- Facilitated adoptions and foster care services.
- Supervise the health and well-being of at-risk children (ages 0-18) in families and residential facilities.
- Mentored positive choices and appropriate communication and behavioral interaction among children and families.
- Fostered partnerships among children, parents, and the community.

**Developmental Learning Center**

St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands

Assistant Teacher

Apr 2001 – Jul 2001

## Education

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**B.A. Psychology (2000)**

University of Wisconsin–Stout

**Colorado Early Childhood Teacher Qualification (2010)**

Front Range Community College

**Yoga Alliance Certified Yoga Teacher (2018)**

Breathe for Change–Denver

**SMART-1 (Stress Management and Relaxation Techniques in Education) (2018)**

Colorado State University

**Colorado Initial Teacher License (expected May 2019)**

Friends Teacher Preparation Program

**M.A. Learning, Developmental and Family Sciences (expected August 2020)**

University of Colorado–Denver

Concentration in Human Learning and Development