

Michael D. Woods

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CERTIFIED SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER (7-12)

Dedicated History teacher in a secondary school setting looking to relocate closer to family. Can offer a passion for history, an unyielding drive for education, and a commitment to student growth and success.

Core Competencies

- ❖ Classroom Management
- ❖ Creative Lesson Planning
- ❖ Curriculum Development
- ❖ Technology use within the Classroom
- ❖ Standardized Testing/Scoring
- ❖ Learner Assessment
- ❖ Student-Teacher Communications
- ❖ Socratic and Higher-Order Thinking

Experience

King George Middle School, King George, VA

Social Studies Teacher 08/11 to Present

Began teaching Civics and Government in the 2012-2013 school year, then moved to World History I from the 2013-2014 school year to present. Always punctual and reliable, and has found great joy in the act of teaching itself. I have also spent three years teaching the Gifted History class for advanced placement students.

At the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year, I was asked to become the Department Chair for History and represent my colleagues in administrative actions, as well as acting as an Academic Dean for part of the school day.

Key Contributions:

- ❖ During the Virginia Standards of Learning exams, my students have always succeeded in achieving an 80% or higher pass rate.
- ❖ I developed a keen understanding of student interaction, as well as a strong foundation in multiple classroom management techniques.
- ❖ I teach general education students, and individuals with learning challenges, within mainstreamed and inclusive classrooms.
- ❖ I have often been commended for my ability to redirect student's behavior into teachable moments.
- ❖ Act as a Chairman and Representative of my Department within the school leadership, and have a reputation for voicing the hard opinions and standing up for my convictions with integrity.
- ❖ Has worked on a committee to develop effective lesson plans and aided in the writing of Middle School History Curriculum.
- ❖ Quickly became a "first-to-call" resource in any event where a calm and measured response was required. Recommended for Crisis prevention training and sits on the Crisis Management Team.
- ❖ Currently participates as a co-advisor to the KGMS Outdoor Club, aiding in providing children with an opportunity to experience and learn about the outdoors in a safe and productive way.
- ❖ Acted as a member of the School Improvement Team in our AdvancEd application for accreditation at King George Middle School.

Education & Credentials

SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY, Slippery Rock, PA

-BS in Secondary Education, 2011 (3.3 GPA)

-MA in History, 2016 (3.8 GPA)

-Pennsylvania Teacher Certification (Grades 7-12) 2011

-Virginia Professional License (Grades 7-12) 2014

"During his career as an educator, Mr. Woods has established a reputation as an extremely capable and effective teacher...[who] has consistently displayed the qualities of initiative, conscientiousness, and professionalism."

**C. Bryant
Associate
Principal**

King George Middle School

"...If I had an opening in my current school division, I would hire Mr. Woods without hesitation..."

**K. Newman
Superintendent**

Colonial Beach School District

"He has his students constantly engaged in the dense material by becoming a storyteller of the past."

**B. Joseph
Teacher**

King George Middle School

"...Mr. Woods has demonstrated a growing attention to historical detail and analysis..."

**C. White
Professor**

Slippery Rock University