

# Ashley C. Schumacher

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## Certifications

- **Pennsylvania Teaching Certificate**, Elementary Education, K-6, October 2011
- **Pennsylvania Teaching Certificate**, Special Education, N-12, May 2013

## Key Qualifications

- Patience and perseverance to work with students with special needs
- Classroom aide in autism support classroom August 2009 - present
- Substitute Teaching in autism support classroom 2011 - present
- Taught autism support classroom for Summer School/ESY – June/July 2013

## EDUCATION

**Master in Special Education**, Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, PA, May 9, 2014

**Bachelors of Science**, Elementary Education, Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, PA, May 2009

## RELEVANT TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**ESY/Summer School Teacher**, NHS Autism School-Carlisle, Carlisle, PA, June/July 2013

- Planned lessons based on a weekly theme to meet instructional levels of students
- Planned lessons and instructed students with autism on their instructional level & adapted curriculum/lessons to meet their ability level
- Integrated technology (smart board, internet) into whole group lessons, and reading/math rotations
- Establish rapport with students and their parents (built rapport with parents through my daily communication log, and phone calls home)
- Provided modifications to students in different activities, based on ability levels, following their IEP, and made on the spot modifications/adaptations as student needed

**Special Education Practicum**, NHS Autism School Carlisle (Satellite Classroom at North Dickinson Elementary), Carlisle, PA, Spring 2013

- Planned and instructed students with autism on their instructional level & adapted grade level curriculum to meet their ability level
- Provided modifications to students based on specifically designed instruction (SDI's) that are written in their IEPs
- Wrote a "Mock" IEP based off of specific student characteristics
- Generated a "Mock" FBA and behavior plan based on specific student characteristic
- Completed a Practicum portfolio of experience that can be viewed using this link: <https://sites.google.com/site/schumacherashleypracticumportf/home?previewAsViewer=1>

**Substitute Teacher**, NHS Autism School Carlisle, Carlisle, PA, Fall 2009 – Present

- Implemented the classroom teacher's lesson plans for the specified day
- Charted classroom behavior plan & individual student behavior plans that are in place
- Wrote classroom teacher a daily communication note/letter to make them aware how the day progressed.

**Student Teacher**, Shippensburg Intermediate School, Shippensburg, PA, January-May 2009

- Planned lessons for 5<sup>th</sup> grade regular education students using the learning focused schools model
- Adapted tests/quizzes for students in special education

## **OTHER RELATED EXPERIENCES**

### **Classroom Aide**, NHS Autism School Carlisle, Carlisle, PA, August 2009 - Present

- Implemented the classroom teacher's planned activities
- Provided one-on-one assistance for students with autism
- Made adaptations for students when integrated into regular education setting (i.e. specials)

### **Professional Semester/Practicum**, Shippensburg Intermediate School, Fall 2008

- Teaching and writing single lesson plans on a specific topic
- Managing student behavior/class behavior for 25 students
- Taught a unit about the Presidential Election of 2008

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- Member, Pennsylvania Education Association (PSEA)
- Member, Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) & Division of Autism & Developmental Disabilities (DADD)
- Attended CPARC Conference, Mechanicsburg, PA March 2013
- Attended "Navigating the Resources for A Child with Autism" Conference at Penn State Hershey Medical Center, Conference Center, Hershey, PA, April 2013
- Attending & Completing Classes to Obtain my Master's in Special Education, Summer 2012 – Present

## **REFERENCES**

- Dr. Thomas Gibbon, Practicum Supervisor at Shippensburg University, Spring 2013, [tcgibb@ship.edu](mailto:tcgibb@ship.edu)
- Angela McMahon, Practicum Cooperating Teacher, Spring 2013, Phone(717)805-8842
- Dr. Kelly Carrero, Shippensburg University Special Education Program Professor, [kmcarrero@ship.edu](mailto:kmcarrero@ship.edu)
- Dr. Cheryl Zaccagnini, Professor for Masters of Special Education Program at Shippensburg University, [chzacc@ship.edu](mailto:chzacc@ship.edu)
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