

KATHERINE

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Katherine Tovar

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TOVAR

- EDUCATION -

Bachelor of Arts in English
Dominican College
2003

Master of Science in School Counseling
Mercy College
2007

- CERTIFICATIONS -

New York Permanent Certification
English 7-12

New York Provisional Certification
School Counselor, K-12

Wilson Reading System
Level 1 Certification

Teg User Certification for SMART Board
Interactive Whiteboard and Notebook Software

New York Provisional TESOL Certification
K-12 Pending

- AWARDS -

- Recipient of The Celia Keenholtz for Excellence in Technology Award 2012-2013 for project *Teacher for a Day*
- Recipient of The SLS Technology Grant 2012-2015 for project *Understanding Ourselves through Others: Teaching Common Core through 21st Century Technology*
- Recipient of Professional Development Technology Grant 2011-2012 for project *Changing Education one Kindle at a Time*
- Recipient of Donors Choose Grant 2011-2012 for project *Changing Education one Kindle at a Time*
- Recipient of Professional Development Quest Grant 2009-2010 for project *The Pearl of the World*

- WEBPAGE -



- WORK EXPERIENCE -

Greenburgh School District 7, New York
Teacher of English (7-8)
2003–present

- Develop lesson plans and activities that are interactive through Notebook and iPad on the SMART Board
- Identify students with reading deficiencies in decoding and encoding and implement Wilson Reading System Program to improve their reading abilities
- Align the English Language Arts curriculum with other subject areas
- Maximize “time on task” in the classroom through organization, creativity, and student involvement
- Utilize differentiated instruction, cooperative learning groups, and hands-on activities to ensure the retention of new learning
- Act as advisor for the MS newspaper *The Falcon Spirit*
- Create and implement interdisciplinary units and lesson plans
- Incorporate technology, music, crafts, and theater to maximize learning experiences in literature

Edith Winthrop Teacher Center
Teacher of Online Teacher Courses
2010-2013

- Designed a course *Using the iPad for Student Learning*, which gives teachers ideas to design a digital curriculum that uses critical thinking, research methods and communications tools to create original work
- Designed a hybrid course *Using Your SMART Board to Support Achievement of CCSS*, which gives teachers an in-depth understanding of the advanced features of Notebook to build lessons tailored to individual content areas and curriculum while aligning to the CCSS
- Designed a course *Zoom In! Teaching with Flicks*, which gives teachers new ideas to using movies and other media in their classroom based on their content areas

Greenburgh School District 7, New York
Middle Years Program Coordinator
2008-2011

- Facilitated weekly International Baccalaureate (IB) meetings to discuss unit planning, changes and implementation of program
- Trained staff on various aspects of the IB program
- Assisted teachers on developing IB units and lesson plans that are global and local community oriented

Greenburgh School District 7, New York School
Counselor Intern
2006-2007

- Designed a character education program using the IB Learner Profile
- Developed and facilitated assemblies on self-development, academic achievement and healthy peer relationships
- Facilitated group counseling sessions with students
- Facilitated parent/teacher conferences to discuss student progress
- Collaborated with teachers to improve teacher/student relationships
- Developed student schedules
- Organized school trips for students to visit colleges
- Revised and developed middle school student manual
- Mediated between students to achieve conflict resolution

- SKILLS -

Fluent in Spanish, Proficient in using: iPad, SMART Board, Edline, WebEim, Power Point, Word, Prezi, Notebook, Infuse Learning, Castle Learning, Knowmia, Edmodo