# Jessica Levin

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#### **OBJECTIVE**

• To obtain a challenging and rewarding position in the field of elementary or special education. To work with children and help them reach their fullest potential.

#### PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

- Team player who loves to collaborate and work with other professionals in order to reach a common goal.
- Resourceful, dedicated and goal driven with skills to create new and exciting hands on lessons to captivate students
- Ability to remain flexible and make modifications and adaptations to instruction in order to meet the individual needs of all students.
- Excellent interpersonal communications skills used to foster meaningful relationships with students, families and other staff.
- The capability to incorporating music into daily lesson plans in order to keep learning upbeat and fun.

#### **EDUCATION**

- University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania
  - o Master of Education in Instruction and Learning
  - o Pennsylvania Certification in both Elementary PreK-4 and Special Education PreK-8

Graduation: April 2015

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- Highly Qualified status in Mathematics
- o GPA: 3.9
- University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania
  - o Bachelor of Science in Applied Developmental Psychology Graduation: April 2014
  - Major: CASE- Combined Accelerated Studies in Education
  - o GPA: 3.5
- Lower Merion High School, Ardmore Pennsylvania

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Special Education learning Support Teacher (9/2015 6/2016)
- Keith Valley Middle School. Horsham Pennsylvania
  - o 7<sup>th</sup> grade learning support
  - o Managed 13 students on a caseload
  - o Wrote IEPs, modified assessments and implemented specially designed instruction
  - o Co-taught in 2 science classes, language arts and math
  - o Ran a extra review period or RTII period once a day
- Special Education Assistant (5/2015 6/2015)
- Warwick Elementary School, Jamison Pennsylvania
  - o 4<sup>th</sup> grade Autistic Support
  - o Worked 1-on-1 with students in a self contained classroom and general education classroom
  - Tracked IEP progress
  - o Substituted in multiple classrooms throughout the school
- Student Teaching Special Education (1/2015 4/2015)
- Environmental Charter School at Frick Park, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania
- Mentor Teacher: Jen Thompson
  - o 8<sup>th</sup> grade classroom
  - o Pushed-in to three 80 minute blocks of science class per day
  - o Differentiated instruction for students with a variety of different needs in the classroom
  - o Modified materials, worked in small groups and 1-on-1 with students based on their needs
  - Worked on IEP teams for students throughout the semester
- Student Teaching General Education (8/2014 12/2014)
- Falk Laboratory School, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania

- Mentor Teacher: Megan O'Brien
  - o 1st grade classroom
  - o Taught a variety of different subject areas including Language Arts, handwriting, writing, math, science and social studies
  - o Developed lesson plans weekly with creative and exciting ideas for students
  - o Learned behavior management and classroom management skills
  - o Worked cooperatively with my mentor teacher to create a co-teaching environment
  - o Worked with students on a variety of levels using skills for differentiation
- Practicum Teaching (9/2013 5/2014)
- Crescent Early Childhood Center, Homewood Pennsylvania
  - Mentor Teacher: Jennifer Cooley
  - o Worked as a student teacher in a preschool classroom two half days and 1 full day a week
- Learned skills to become an independent teacher
- PLEA School, Wilkinsburg Pennsylvania (Autism support)
- Mentor Teacher: Holly Vines
  - Worked as a student teacher in an early intervention Autistic support classroom two half days and one full day a week
  - o Learned skills to be an effective early intervention teacher
  - Worked with students on different levels of the spectrum and adapted instruction for each child's needs.
  - o Became proficient in the use of a Standard Celeration Chart
  - o Used ABA methods in order to set up behavior plans for each child

### ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

• Upper Moreland Middle School – Hatboro, Pennsylvania

(12/2015 - Present)

- Theater Director of the middle school play
- o Directed and choreographed the Wizard of Oz
- o Planned rehearsals, auditions and coordinated costumes
- Camp Green Lane Green Lane, Pennsylvania

(06/2007 - Present)

- o Counselor, group leader, drama specialist, assistant program director
- o Supervised children between ages 6 and 16.
- o Planned evening activities to help team building.
- o Instructed drama classes for an hour period three to four times a day.
- o Directed two musical performances every summer.
- o Lived in a cabin with campers and acted as the adult in charge.
- o Planned daily activities for the camp as a whole.
- Dance Express Narberth, Pennsylvania

(09/2008 - 05/2009)

o Taught jazz dance to a class of nine and ten year olds

#### AFFLIATIONS

### • Delta Delta Delta Fraternity, Alpha Theta Chapter

 Music Chairman, Activities Chairman, Sponsor Chairman, Greek Sing Chairman, Greek Week Chairman

## **SPECIAL SKILLS**

- Tests: KeyMath, WRMT, WIAT III, DIBLES, QRI
- Curriculums: Saxon Math, Everyday Math, Bridges Mathematics, Writers Workshop, Engage New York, Interactive Science, Readers Workshop
- Online: XtraMath, Read Theory, Study Island
- IEP and Evaluation Report writing
- IEP Writer
- FBA and BIP writing
- Use of a Standard Celeration Chart