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Education

West Chester University of Pennsylvania, West Chester, PA

August 2009 - May 2013

Bachelor of Science in Education, May 2013

Major: English and Professional Secondary Education

GPA: 3.71; Dean's List Honoree

Graduated Magna Cum Laude

Certification: PA Instructional I, 7-12 English

Classroom Teaching Experience

English Language Arts Long-Term Substitute

January 2015 – present

Northley Middle School, Penn-Delco School District

- ❖ Teaching 8th Grade Honors & Accelerated English Language Arts
- ❖ Create unit plans based on 8th Grade curriculum developed by the school with student levels/needs as a focus (using school resources, colleagues, rules, etc. as a key tool for success)
- ❖ Develop strategies for successfully managing a class
- ❖ Proctor students for state testing (PSSA)

Tutor/Extra Help Teacher (*Literature Keystone Remediation*)

September 2013 – December 2015

Sun Valley High School, Penn-Delco School District

- ❖ Design and implement activities to facilitate academic improvement on the Keystone Examination
- ❖ Conduct individualized tutoring sessions for students with academic deficiencies in the subject of English
- ❖ Incorporate remediation strategies for the Literature section of the Keystone test using Study Island as a resource
- ❖ Maintain a meaningful, organized, and active learning environment for students

English Language Arts Long-Term Substitute (10th/11th Grades)

September 2014 - November 2014

Sun Valley High School, Penn-Delco School District

- ❖ Taught Accelerated & Honors American Literature to 10th and 11th grade (mixed) classes
- ❖ Developed & delivered engaging lesson plans to meet American Literature curriculum standards
 - Utilized learning technology in the planning & delivery of lessons
- ❖ Evaluated the student's class work and assignments: Graded tests, essays, and other assignments—Regularly provided students with feedback

English Language Arts Long-Term Substitute (10th-12th Grades)

February 2014 - June 2014

Sun Valley High School, Penn-Delco School District

- ❖ Taught Accelerated British Literature, Honors British Literature, and Film as Literature
- ❖ Planned and carried out lessons on novels, plays, short stories, poetry, films, and different types of writing
- ❖ Developed lessons with colleagues in order to support curriculum and objectives
- ❖ Volunteered at extra-curricular events for Sun Valley High School and the Penn-Delco School District

English Language Arts Long-Term Substitute (9th Grade)

October 2013 - January 2014

Sun Valley High School, Penn-Delco School District

- ❖ Taught Honors English Literature and Academic English Literature (Survey of Literature)
- ❖ Organized and carried out lessons on a novel unit, short stories, and different types of writing
- ❖ Held conferences with students and parents regarding student achievement in order to facilitate academic improvement
- ❖ Observed, interacted with, and differentiated daily instruction for students with IEPs

Student Teacher (9th Grade, 11th Grade)

January 2013 - May 2013

Unionville-Chadds Ford High School, Unionville School District

- ❖ Created lessons and units utilizing a variety of approaches based on student need while collaborating with mentor
- ❖ Taught Academic English Literature (Genre), Honors English Literature (Genre), and First-Level (non-college prep) American Literature
- ❖ Implemented classroom management techniques when necessary and established a healthy classroom community
- ❖ Integrated "SmartBoard" technology in lessons

Practicum Student, Unionville-Chadds Ford High School, Kennett Square, PA

October - December 2012

Writing Zones Tutor, Kennett High School, Kennett Square, PA

September - November 2012

Practicum Student, Peirce Middle School, West Chester, PA

January - May 2012

Related Experience

Special Needs Volunteer (*Special Olympics of Delaware County*) Havertown, PA *June 2009 – Present*

- ❖ Guided special needs individuals to the best of their ability through encouragement and belief
- ❖ Implemented goals with a focus on behavior and social skills

Child Care Provider (*Private Family*) Malvern, PA *Aug. 2011 – June 2013*

- ❖ Aided two pre-teen girls (ages 9 and 12) with assigned classwork
- ❖ Supervised the girls' safety, nutrition, and activities

Honors, Professional Associations, and Campus Involvement

Member, Sigma Tau Delta International Collegiate Honor Society for Students of English *2013 – Present*

Member, Pi Lambda Theta National Honor Society of Educators *2012 – Present*

Member, National Council for Teachers of English *2012 – Present*

Honoree, West Chester University's Dean's List *2009 – 2013*

Member, Sister-to-Sister Peer Mentoring Program *2010 – 2013*

Member, Alpha Phi Fraternity, West Chester University *2009 – 2013*

- Positions: Director of Administration & Recording Secretary
 - o Active in keeping positive relations within our fraternity and with other organizations on campus
 - o Planned a sisterhood retreat

Activities

- *Coach, Northley Middle School Cheerleading* *October 2014-present*
 - o Instruct basic cheerleading skills (warm-up, stretching & conditioning, stunting, jumps, & tumbling) and supervise the performance of cheerleaders
 - o Encourage the cheerleaders to make constant improvement; motivate them on upgrading their performance
 - o Conduct practices in a lively and organized manner

Skills & Trainings

- SAT/PSSA/Keystone Examination Proctor *2014-15*
- Technology Support for 1:1 Student Initiative *2014*
- Proficient with Pinnacle GradeBook, TurnItIn.Com, and Microsoft Outlook *2014*
- Proficient with Mac and PC operating systems *2009*
- Practiced and competent with the following software: *2009*
 - o Microsoft Word and PowerPoint
 - o SmartBoard Technology
 - o Google Classroom
 - o GoogleDrive

References

Amy Jenkins, Assistant Principal – Sun Valley High School, Penn-Delco School District – Aston, PA: ajenkins@pdsd.org

Lauren Schneider, English Teacher/Department Head – Sun Valley High School, Penn-Delco School District – Aston, PA: lschneider@pdsd.org

Tara Young, Assistant Principal – Northley Middle School, Penn-Delco School District – Aston, PA: tyoung@pdsd.org

Additional references and portfolio available upon request.