

# Sierra L. Smith

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## **EDUCATION:**

### **Pennsylvania Department of Education, PA**

Continuing Education from Pennsylvania Department of Education

August 2010 - present

### **Penn Commercial Business and Technical School, Washington, Pa**

Nail Technician Diploma and Certification

March 2014 – June 2014

### **Seton Hill University, Greensburg, PA**

Additional Certification with Concentration in Special Education (K-12)

Aug 2010 - May 2011

### **Seton Hill University, Greensburg, PA**

Bachelor of Psychology with Concentration in Education (K-6 Elementary)

January 2007 – May 2010

## ***Related EXPERIENCE:***

### **Special Education (Long Term Substitute) Teacher:** Frasier Area School District

(Perryopolis, Pa)

April 2017- June 2017

- Provide direct and indirect instructional support to students.
- Employ special educational strategies and techniques during instruction to improve the development of sensory- and perceptual-motor skills, language, cognition, and memory.
- Instruct students in academic subjects using a variety of techniques such as phonetics, multi-sensory learning, and repetition to reinforce learning and to meet students' varying needs and interests.
- Maintain accurate and complete student records and prepare reports on children and activities, as required by laws, district policies, and administrative regulations

### **Substitute Teacher:** Source4teachers

(Greensburg, Pa)

January 2017- Present

- Maintain & Implement successful positive classroom management
- Provide direct instruction to students

### **Special Education Teacher:** Young Scholars of McKeesport Charter School

(McKeesport, Pa)

Aug 2015—Nov 2016

- Provide direct and indirect instructional support to students.
- Employ special educational strategies and techniques during instruction to improve the development of sensory- and perceptual-motor skills, language, cognition, and memory.
- Instruct students in academic subjects using a variety of techniques such as phonetics, multi-sensory learning, and repetition to reinforce learning and to meet students' varying needs and interests.
- Confer with parents, administrators, testing specialists, social workers, and other professionals to develop individualized education programs (IEPs) designed to promote students' educational, physical, and social/emotional development.
- Maintain accurate and complete student records and prepare reports on children and activities, as required by laws, district policies, and administrative regulations

### **Paraprofessional:** Bentworth Area School District

(Bentleyville, Pa)

Aug 2012—Aug 2015

- Follow accommodations set forth in the IEP, then performs clerical, classroom maintenance, and instructional duties.
- Work with individual students or in small groups to assist in learning
- Assist classroom teacher with record keeping and activity creation

## **Training/Certifications:**

- **Instructional I** from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in **Elementary & Special Education (K-12)**
- K-6 Elementary Certification & K-12 Special Education Certification
- Nail Technician Diploma and Certification