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#### **Objective**

Obtain a position that fosters and advances my skills and passion for teaching elementary students through the use of Common Core Standards and differentiated instruction derived from student data that will advance student learning gains.

#### Education

# **Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education** from University of South Florida Magna Cum Lade, high honors

May 2013

## **Associates in Early Childhood Development** from Polk State College

Jun 2011

#### Experience

## **Teacher** at Hildebrandt Learning Center

Feb 2014 – Present

Plan and implement activities for children that stress physical, social, and emotional growth and provide materials and resources for children to explore, manipulate, and use, both in learning activities and in active play.

#### **Teacher, First Grade** at Frostproof Elementary School

Aug 2013 – Feb 2014

Implemented the Reading Wonders series for Language Arts and Go Math Harcourt Series for Math instruction.

Increased reading achievement using Triple I an intensive, individualized, and interactive approach.

Assessed student gains using Fountas and Pinnell, FAIR, I Station, informal weekly assessments, observations, and use of techniques for checking understanding of new skill.

Utilized technology (SMART Board, ELMO, and Light Speed) into lessons.

Differentiated instruction based on data for 18 students; one student with a Speech delay and fourteen English Students of Other Languages, nine of which have Limited English Proficiency.

## Camp Ready at Learning Resource Center

Jun 2013

Prepared rising and repeating Kindergarten students with school readiness skills, during an intensive summer program.

Delivered whole group instruction with hands on interactive activates that targeted reading and math skills, through a cooking experience.

**Level III Teaching Internship** at Dixieland Elementary for 3rd grade Mrs. Dee Frey Jan 2013 – Apr 2013 Developed whole group/small group lessons using Common Core and State Standards.

Incorporated technology (Smartboard, Student Response System, and ELMO) into daily lessons

Implemented a semester-long case study on one student. An assessment was conducted using the *Informal Reading Inventory* (Roe/ Burns), measuring attitude, word recognition ability, phonics skills, oral reading levels, silent reading comprehension, and listening level.

Developed differentiated intensive reading instruction based on data from assessments.

## **Level II Teaching Internship** at Kingsford Elementary for 4th grade Miss Laura Carns Aug 2012 – Nov 2012

Administered The Student Observation Matrix in order to determine the language acquisition of a second language student.

## Pre Kindergarten / Preschool Teacher at Precious Children in the Highlands

Nov 2007 – Jul 2011

Assisted in the development and implementation of a five star preschool, according to the Quality Rating Improvement System.

Participated in the United Way Master Teacher program, receiving six weeks of direct teacher coaching by a highly qualified Early Childhood Professional.

Emphasis on teaching Pre-Kindergarten for 3 years.

## **Program Assistant / Testing Coordinator** at Polk State College

Jul 2005 - Nov 2007

Maintained course material and schedules in the Early Childhood and Corporate College Departments.

Coordinated the Early Childhood state-testing program for Department of Children and Families.

## Youth / Children's Leader at Presbyterian Church in the Highlands

Mar 2005 – Sep 2013

Created and implemented events through modeling, direct instruction, cooperative discussion, camps, vacation bible school, and conferences.

Emphasized youth social/emotional growth and development.

## Teachers Education Council President at University of South Florida

Apr 2012 – Apr 2013

Led the student government organization for pre-service teachers in providing support, community service, and professional development opportunities in order to enhance their education and professional growth.

#### **Project Pride Recipient** at University of South Florida

Apr 2012 – May 2014

Participated in President Obama's Race to the Top as a recipient of the Project Pride Scholarship for aspiring minority teachers.

Received professional mentoring with the Department of Education, principles, and University of South Florida professors.

Advanced my knowledge, skills, and resources as an Elementary School Teacher through monthly group and one-on-one sessions.