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**SPECIAL EDUCATION/ELEMENTARY LEVEL/TESOL TEACHER**

Deeply committed to motivating/mentoring young people and maintaining a positive and stimulating classroom environment. Excels in planning and implementing learning experiences, promoting language skills, building cultural connection and reaching every student’s learning level. Energetic communicator and organizer who quickly engages and maintains productive rapport with students, parents, staff and management on all levels.

Diverse experience with children diagnosed with autism, behavioral and psychological disorders.

Extensive traveler: experienced in organizing, directing and escorting groups to Uganda, Mexico, Israel and

Eastern Europe.

* Creative Lesson Planner
* Active Listener
* Learner Assessment
* Students with Special Needs/IEPs
* Classroom Management and Discipline
* Responsive Classroom

**EDUCATION**

**Cairn University**, Langhorne, PA

**Master of Science in Education**/ Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies 2014

**Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education**, 2014

* Earned Dean’s List status numerous times.
* Recipient of Merit Scholarship and UPS Scholarship Award

Student Teaching:

* Council Rock School District, Churchville Elementary School, 9/2/2014-10/17/2014

Third Grade Special Education Resource Room; developed lesson plans and presented science

project on Sound; assisted with clay animation project in Art class. Recognized for high level of

organization and clear goals of lesson plans incorporated activities and games to promote

engagement and motivation; built in opportunities for formative assessment.

* Dominican Republic, Santiago Christian School, 10/20/2014-12/3/2014  
   Third grade English as a Second Language classroom; constructed differentiated lesson plans and designed science project on Living Things. Recognized for usage of consistent use of interactive lesson plans and delivery, as well as building a strong repertoire with students.

**CERTIFICATIONS**

Pennsylvania Program Specialist: English as a Second Language, TESOL

Pennsylvania Professional Certification: Elementary Education

Anticipate completion of Pennsylvania Professional Certification in Special Education- 12/2016   
Nonviolent Crisis Prevention and Intervention, CPI Certified

**PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**

**Richard Allen Preparatory Charter School,** Philadelphia, Pa

**7th Grade, Special Education and ESL Teacher**, 2015-Present

* Case Manager for 21 students with IEPs
* Taught full classes using Project Based Learning and Universal Design for Learning approaches
* Facilitated guided reading groups and cooperative learning groups for 21 students

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* Used an array of literary interventions to meet the academic needs of students below grade level
* Collected and evaluated data to adapt instructional methods and write IEPs.

**Behavioral Analysis and Therapy Partners**, Bala Cynwyd, PA

**Therapeutic Support Staff**, 2012-2014

* Implemented behavioral intervention treatment plan for five children on the autism spectrum.
* Worked with behavior specialist weekly on preparing and modifying behavior intervention for intervention plans; prepared behavioral interventions.
* Collected and evaluated data, prepared progress field notes.
* Reinforced training of safety skills using token economy system and discrete trial training; coached social and coping skills.

**Faust Elementary School/Belmont Hills Elementary School,** Bensalem, PA

**Tutor** (2012-2013)

* Taught English to ELL students with special needs (learning and emotional disabilities) using best practices and evidence-based instructional practices, in 2nd and 4th grade classrooms.

**Calvary Chapel of Philadelphia, Calvary Christian Academy,** Philadelphia, PA

**Youth Leader / Educator** (2007-2011)

Diverse roles working with middle school children including teaching, fundraising, organizing and leading missionary trips, directing homeless outreach in North Philadelphia and Lead Counselor at overnight camp.

* Led community service outreach program with 30 middle school children and inner city homeless at North Philadelphia center.
* Taught middle school Bible classes on Sunday morning and evening study groups using provided curriculum.
* Oversaw budget of four missions trips; connected students with members of community to complete house and yard repair activities; donations underwrote airline fare for missionary trips to Mexico.
* Led worship services and conducted weekly Bible Studies for middle school children using

provided curriculum.

* Oversaw safety and well being at seven week Family Guidance overnight camp for seven groups of eight children.
* Served approximately 60 at-risk children as Lead Counselor at this camp; taught character development using given curriculum and resources; served as praise band leader and collaborated with co-counselor and camp director concerning behavior management plan.

**Director of International Missions at Calvary Chapel of Philadelphia** (2008)

* Designed meaningful and effective English language activities for Mexican ELL using content based instruction and adult ELLs in nursing homes using Communicative Language Teaching method
* Led a community service trip to Mexico with middle school students

**Middle School /High School Varsity Soccer Coach** (2011-2012)

**Community Volunteer Leadership**

* Co- led fundraisers for AIDS Awareness Month in Uganda
* Taught ESL classes for local Russian and Hispanic immigrant adult students.
* Presented abstinence lectures in public school as representative of Urban Family Council
* Autism Cares Activist; participated in 5K Walk/run and fundraisers

**Affiliations**

Penn TESOL East; Alpha Chi Epsilon; Calvary Chapel of Philadelphia; Cairn University Praise Band

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