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**Objective:**  Seeking a full time elementary teaching position, grades K through 6.

**Education:**

Bachelor of Science in Education, Elementary Education December 2011

West Chester University, West Chester, PA

* GPA: 3.7
* Graduating Honors: Magna Cum Laude
* Deans List: 2 semesters

**Student Teaching and Field Experiences:**

Student Teacher- Grade 1

August – December 2011

Manoa Elementary School- Haverford, PA

* Implemented a first grade balanced literacy program: Guided reading (whole class and small group), literature based anthology (Houghton Mifflin), Handwriting without Tears, Kid-writing, and daily word wall and phonics activities.
* Taught first grade math using Everyday Math emphasizing cumulative computational and problem-solving skills
* Implemented an interdisciplinary science unit on fire safety during fire prevention week and an interdisciplinary social studies mini-unit on Christopher Columbus.
* Designed lessons in all subject areas to meet the Pennsylvania State Standards
* Incorporated the use of the SMART Board into all subject areas
* Utilized various research-based strategies including KWL charts, Venn diagrams, small groups, partners, and hands on lessons.
* Participated in parent-teacher conferences and IEP meetings
* Administered formal assessments (Weekly Skills Tests)
* Worked with both learning and emotional support children
* Taught small group instruction in both reading and mathematics
* Implemented individual education plans, goals, and adaptations
* Worked one on with reading specialist to test childrens individual reading levels

Reading Practicum-Kindergarten

January – May 2011

Penrose Elementary School, Philadelphia, PA

* Provided instruction in small and large group language art settings
* Developed, implemented, and analyzed a case study for a student above grade level by utilizing running records, miscue analysis, fluency measures, and comprehension checks.
* Implemented a balanced literacy reading program by introducing various comprehension strategies

Theory and Field- Grade 3

January-May 2010

Glenn Acres Elementary School, West Chester, PA

* Observed and instructed students in small and large group math and language arts settings.
* Created and implemented a health lesson on the food pyramid

Field Experience-Grade 2

January-May 2009

Loomis Elementary School, Broomall, PA

* Observed and instructed students in small and whole group settings

Field Experience-Pre-Kindergarten

September-December 2008

St. Anastasia, Marple Newtown, PA

* Assisted teacher with classroom responsibilities
* Created and implemented a lesson on St. Patricks Day

**Teaching Related Experience/Employment:**

Kelly Educational Staffing Services- Substitute Teacher, King of Prussia, PA

Substitute Teaching Service-Substitute Teacher, Media, PA

September 2013-Current

* Effectively teach students of varied academic and age levels (K-12) of all cultural backgrounds
* Perform T.A. and 1:1 duties helping those who need extra guidance in a special ed. setting
* Teach special subjects such as Art, Music, Gym, and Library
* Collaborate effectively with school staff members
* Build a positive rapport with students

Pennsylvania Mentor-TSS, Broomall, PA

November 2013-January 2013

* Partner with families to implement appropriate treatment interventions for child diagnosed with Autism
* Utilize appropriate training to enhance professional development
* Monitor activities emphasizing on problematic areas to work towards specific goals
* Write and maintain progress notes

The Goddard School-Pre-Toddler Teacher, West Goshen, PA

March 2012-May 2013

* Planned and Implemented lessons to correspond with the theme and developmental level of children
* Collaborated with co-teacher and other staff members
* Effectively communicated with parents
* Participation in staff and training meetings
* Positive interaction and reinforcement with children
* Presented expectations appropriate to the child's age and development

Ridley YMCA -Child-Watch employee, Secane, PA

June 2006- March 2012

* Provided a safe and fun environment for children ranging from six weeks to twelve years of age
* Engaged children in various outdoor and indoor games

West Chester Youth Program Center, West Chester, PA

October 2010-May 2011

* Provided a safe and fun environment for Kindergarten age students

St. Mark’s Lutheran Church Summer Camp-Camp Counselor, Clifton Heights, PA

June-August 2011

* Held responsibility for the safety of all children at camp
* Led children in activities such as games, crafts, and sports

Kindercare-Assistant Teacher, Radnor, PA

January-May 2009

Sonshine Christian Academy-Assistant Teacher, Drexel Hill, PA

April-August 2007

Ridley YMCA-Childcare Volunteer, Secane , PA

September-October 2006

* Assisted lead teacher in supervising the classroom activities, meals, etc. as needed

**Activities**

* Active member of the West Chester Association for the Education of Young Children (WCAEYC)
* Volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House, Healthy Kids Day, Breakfast with Santa, and the Homecoming Day Parade at West Chester University

**Certifications:**

* Infant and Toddler Interactions Webinar, July 2012
* Biting Webinar, July 2012
* CPR & First Aid, September 2012
* Smoothing Transitions Webinar, 2012
* Integrating Curricular Resources Webinar, September 2012
* Supervision Webinar, September 2012
* Creating Positive Environments Webinar, October 2012
* Observing & Recording Children Webinar, November 2012