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| “...from my class at Duquesne, through Dr. Tomei…he presented these lessons…the lesson on Plant Cells. Erin Durante’s work was featured because she used PowerPoint, Work Pages, and a Web Site that were all integrated!!! Congrats!!!...”  Linda Holsopple  Principal  “...I am consistently impressed with her confidence and strength in the classroom. She strives to reach all students through creative lessons…Her leadership skills have won the hearts of her coworkers….”  Darlene McWilliams  Teacher  “...I would like you to know how wonderful you are as a teacher. You’ve been very patient with him, yet firm in your expectations because you know that he can do it! I feel you are passionate and enthusiastic about teaching...”  Lisa Lenz  Former parent of a student  “…this illustrates her intense interest in teaching and making instruction exciting for students…Because of her high octane classes…management problems are nonexistent. …I have evaluated over 300 teachers. After working with Erin, I have found her to be an excellent teacher….”  Richard P. Davis  University of Pittsburgh Supervisor | Professional Profile **Dedicated elementary educator** looking to obtain a full-time teaching position in the elementary classroom where I can apply my experience, enthusiasm, and passion for teaching in a classroom setting, helping my students find personal success, exceeding their individual goals.   * Member of the **Safety Team** from 2011 to Present * **Coordinator and planner** of the Blackburn Center presentations to educate and promote student safety * Member of the **Administrative Team** from 2007 to 2011 * **School representative and faculty trainer** for PowerTeacher and Study Island * **Head of the Science Department** from 2002 to 2007 * **Wrote Science Curriculum** from 2003 to 2005 * **Liaison and coordinator of ESAP** from 2004 to 2007  Educational Skills  * Elementary Education (All Subjects) * IEP Knowledge * Curriculum Development * Classroom Management * Mentoring * Textbook Review * Committee & In-service Leadership * Parental Involvement * Hands-on Instruction * Written Student Assessments * Discovery Education Familiarity * Skilled with Animoto * Differentiated Instruction * Leader & Trainer * Flexible & Adaptive * Communication Skills * Patient * Excellent Work Ethic * Provide Supportive Environment  Professional Experience *4th and 5th Grade Teacher 8/2002 to Current*  *Queen of Angels Catholic School – One Main Street, N. Huntingdon, PA*   * Design creative lessons to instruct students in several academic areas by utilizing hands-on activities to stimulate critical thinking * Incorporate technology in many aspects of instruction to meet the needs of the 21st century learner * Recognized at Duquesne University and the Diocese of Greensburg for a technology based lesson designed and incorporated into my classroom * Utilize various instruction techniques, including differentiated instruction, to meet the needs of the variety of learning styles within the classroom * Maintain a positive rapport with students by providing an enriching learning environment where they feel comfortable to explore, ask questions, and learn * Take an active role in parent communication through my web page on the school’s website, emails, phone calls, newsletters, and handwritten forms * Attend workshops and classes to further my knowledge * School’s coordinator and faculty trainer for PowerTeacher and Study Island * Member of the school’s Safety Team * School’s coordinator and planner for the incorporation of the Blackburn Center sessions to educate and promote student safety   *Administrative Team 12/2007 to 5/2011*  *Queen of Angels Catholic School – One Main Street, N. Huntingdon, PA*   * Met on a weekly basis to brainstorm, plan, and problem solve school related issues * Rewrote school’s Student/Parent Handbook * Wrote and incorporated a REFOCUS form utilized by faculty members * Updated school policies and dress code * Helped solve daily school issues/occurrences * Team was disbanded in 2011   *Middle School Science Teacher 8/1999 to 6/2002*  *Queen of Angels Catholic School – 320 North 7th Street, Jeannette, PA*   * Planned and incorporated science lessons for grades 6, 7, and 8 * Implemented many hands-on experiences within the science classroom to promote critical thinking, exploration, and inferencing * Incorporated writing across the science curriculum * Utilized technology in many aspects of instruction as well as with student learning * Coordinated and guided students in the planning and testing of science projects for the Mon-Yough Science Fair and PJAS   *Substitute/Long-Term Substitute Teacher 8/1994 to 5/1999*  *Various School Districts – Penn Trafford, Norwin, Elizabeth Forward, Queen of Angels Catholic*   * Cooperated by accepting assignments in grades K-8 * Carried out duties of regular classroom teacher, modifying and improvising as needed * Completed Professional Development seminars on Writing, Classroom Discipline, Behavior Management, and Symptoms of Drug Use * Observed various teaching styles   *Auditor/Associate Area Manager 8/1987 to 12/1998*  *RGIS Inc. – Pittsburgh, PA*   * Managed several teams of auditors during inventories * Made schedules, planned inventory strategies, balanced store totals, and coordinated auditing methods for productivity * Cooperated with store manager when planning inventory * Responsible for the training and instruction of new personnel * Performed various types of audits  Education Mid-Level Science 7-9 2006  Pennsylvania Department of Education  Level II Certification 2002  Pennsylvania Department of Education  Level I Certification 1994  University of Pittsburgh School of Education – Pittsburgh, PA   * Achieved GPA of 3.97 * Honors in Student Teaching   Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies 1993  University of Pittsburgh – Pittsburgh, PA  Elementary Education  Edinboro University of Pennsylvania – Edinboro, PA   * Transferred to University of Pittsburgh to finish degree |
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