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**Professional Summary ­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Experienced teaching professional devoted to creating developmental environment for young learners to build cognitive, social emotional, physical, literacy and math skills. Proven ability for offering individualized support, promoting independence and peer support, and working with parents in best interest of learners.

**Skills\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* Certified Pre-K through Grade 3 Teacher
* Storytelling and Message Time Plus/Model Writing
* Conflict resolution techniques using Second Step Training
* Planned Fitness Day activities yearly for children
* Certified Group Fitness Instructor
* Extensive training and proficiency in Creative Curriculum
* Training and proficiency in Teaching Strategies GOLD Objectives and Assessment Tool
* Common Core State Standards Everyday Math Training
* Children’s Literacy Initiative (CLI) Training

**Work History\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Long Term Substitute Teacher

Conerly Road Elementary School 5/2015 to 6/2015

* Planned and carried out developmentally appropriate lessons to promote literacy and math
* Extended writing activities to challenge and engage learners’ fine motor skills
* Provided pre-school-aged problem solving software that helped students stay on and complete various tasks
* Assisted learners in making props and acting out favorite stories to further develop reading comprehension
* Engaged learners in visual performing arts which served in their Moving On End of the Year Celebration

Teacher 4/1999 to 09/2014

Vailsburg Child Development Center – Newark, NJ

* Instructed small groups of students in math and literacy activities to build knowledge in rote counting, sorting, story structure, letter writing, and phonemic awareness
* Tailored lesson plans for students with emotional and cognitive disabilities
* Maintained individual student portfolios that included goal objectives, labeled work samples, and progress reports
* Showcased children’s work to boost their self-esteem and keep them motivated
* Reported on student progress, behavior and social skills to parents
* Attended workshops to enhance and support learners’ development in literacy, math, social emotional growth, physical growth and parental involvement

Lead Teacher

Apple Day Care – East Orange, NJ 1/1996 to 12/1998

* Planned and led activities to develop children’s physical, emotional, and social growth
* Instructed small groups of students in basic concepts such as the alphabet, shapes and color recognition
* Assisted classroom aides in supervising meal times and indoor/outdoor play
* Changing and sanitizing classroom and diaper changing area
* Cleaned and sanitized toys daily
* Maintained head count and attendance sheets

**Education\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Bachelor of Arts: Psychology -2004

Rutgers University – Newark, NJ

Associate of Science: Early Childhood Education -1999

Essex County College – Newark, NJ

**Certifications\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

New Jersey Department of Education Standard Certificate for Teacher of Preschool through Grade 3 2007

New Jersey Praxis Early Childhood Certification 2014