I am a TAB/choice art teacher who is passionate about helping students develop their creative-thinking and problem-solving skills. The ability to form new ideas and solve problems will benefit students far beyond the art studio.

**EDUCATION**

**Certificate**,Digital Design: Print, Pennsylvania College of Art & Design, December 2012

**MEd Art**, Towson University, August 2004

MD Advanced Professional Teaching Certification, January 2017

PA Instructional II Teaching Certification, June 2004

PA Instructional I Teaching Certification, January 1993

**BSE Art**, Millersville University, December 1992

**ART TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

*8-11 – present* **High School Art Teacher, School District of the City of York**

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* Ninth through twelfth grade Ceramics I and II – Current Position – Six years.
* Ninth through twelfth grade Digital Design I and II: Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator – Four years.
* Yearbook Advisor – Five years.
* Student population includes life skills, emotional support, English language learners, autistic and gifted students.

*8-05 – 8-11* **Middle School Art Teacher, School District of the City of York**

* Fifth through eighth grade including life skills, emotional support, hearing impaired, English language learners, autistic and gifted students.
* Mentored three part-time student teachers from Millersville University.
* Team Leader for the rewriting of the School District of the City of York’s middle school visual arts curriculum and rubrics - 2008-2009.
* Presented a staff development session to elementary teachers - *Incorporating Art into the Elementary Classroom* - February 2006.
* Trained to use the Success for All, *Reading Edge* program - Taught the level six reading program during morning reading block - 2006-2011.

*8-99 – 8-05* **Elementary Art Teacher, School District of the City of York**

* Kindergarten through fifth grade including diagnostic kindergarten, life skills, emotional support, hearing impaired, multi-handicapped, English language learners and gifted students.
* Mentor teacher through Pennsylvania Teacher Induction Program - 2003-2004 and 2004-2005.
* Participated in the hiring of an elementary art teacher - summer 2003.
* Team member in the rewriting of the School District of the City of York’s elementary visual arts curriculum, rubric and benchmarks.
* Trained to use the *Great Leaps* reading-intervention program - Tutored third-grade students with the program during morning planning time - 2003-2004 and 2004-2005.
* Bullying Prevention Committee - 2002-2005.
* Participated in a three-year pilot program for year-round school.

*2-99 – 8-99* **Long Term Substitute Teacher, School District of the City of York**

* Middle-school art for ten weeks.
* Fourth grade for six weeks.
* Per Diem substitute in grades one through eight between the long-term positions.

*8-98 – 2-99* **Instructional Assistant, VisionQuest**

(Students from the School District of the City of York)

* Tutored middle-school students with special needs.
* Observed behaviors and implemented appropriate modification.
* Established weekly phone contacts with parents and caseworkers.
* Performed home visitations.
* Attended students’ court proceedings.
* Maintained student documentation.

*5-96 – 8-96* **Summer Art Teacher, De La Salle Vocational**

* High-school aged, adjudicated males from inner-city Philadelphia.
* Observed and documented behaviors.
* Reported to caseworkers.

6*-06 – present* **Summer Volunteer, Creative York (formerly YorkArts)**

* Instructor/assistant instructor for *Art in the Parks* (free art activities for York City youth), art camps and adult classes.