

# LAURA L. PARKER

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## **ELEMENTARY TEACHER** **~ General Elementary K-6 & ESL Minor K-12~**

- Goal-driven educator committed to empowering students to succeed through the use of highly effective, instructional strategies.
- Excellent communication skills to foster meaningful relationships with colleagues, students, and families.

## **AREAS OF TEACHING PROFICIENCY**

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| • WIDA                           | • Professional Development Facilitator                 |
| • Latino Literacy Project        | • Response to Intervention                             |
| • ESL Instructional Strategies   | • Individualized Education Plans                       |
| • Ellevation Data Management     | • Differentiated Instruction                           |
| • Individualized Learning Plans  | • Standards-Based Achievement Reports                  |
| • Culturally Responsive          | • DRA2 Progress Monitoring Assessments                 |
| • Content Knowledge              | • Technology Integration                               |
| • Kagan Collaborative Structures | • Google Docs Software                                 |
| • Guided Reading                 | • Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) |
| • Lexia Reading Program          | • Classroom Management                                 |
| • Distributive Practice          | • Exceptional Student Performance                      |
| • Number Literacy                |  |

## **EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS**

**Bachelor of Science** (2005); Major: Elementary Education  
**Minor** (2011): English as a Second Language K-12  
Indiana University - Dean's List; Golden Key International Honour Society  
**GPA** (4.0 Scale): 3.608; Top 15 Percent of Class

**Indiana Professional Educator's License**  
Expires June 02, 2021

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## **PROFESSIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

HAWTHORNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – INDIANAPOLIS, IN      2013-PRESENT  
Title 1 Distinguished School (2008)  
Title 1 Runner-Up Distinguished School (2015)  
**ESL Teacher and Coach (K-4)**

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Professional Teaching Experience Continued...

LOWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - INDIANAPOLIS, IN 2013-2015  
Four Star School Awards  
**ESL Teacher and Coach (K-4)**

PURCELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – MULBERRY, FL 2008-2013  
A+ Positive Behavior Model School  
**Classroom Teacher (Grades 1-2)**

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**ESL K-4 Teacher**, Hawthorne & Lowell Elementary Schools, Warren Township; August 2013 to present

- Created and implemented lesson plans based on Indiana State Standards and WIDA Standards.
- Utilized effective instructional strategies and WIDA Model Performance Indicators.
- Scaffolded instruction to ensure students were able to access the academic standards.
- Implemented PBIS system.
- Administered WIDA, IREAD, ILEARN, and NWEA; used assessments for data-driven instruction.
- Facilitated the Latino Family Literacy Project.
- Established positive relationships with students, parents, colleagues, and administrators.
- Provided ESL related professional development to colleagues and administrators.
- Participated in RTI meetings, IEP conferences, Wellness committee, Parents are the CORE, school events, school improvement meetings, academic camp, and Warren's WIDA cadre.
- Facilitated ILP committee meetings, Vertical Team meetings, and the Latino Literacy Project
- Maximized student learning outcomes by integrating technology (Ellevation, iPad Apps, Google Docs, Rosetta Stone, and Lexia Reading)

**First and Second Grade Teacher**, Purcell Elementary, Polk County Schools; August 2008 to August 2013

- Created and implemented lesson plans based on Florida State Standards.
- Implemented the PBIS system.
- Administered assessments; used assessments for data-driven instruction.
- Established positive relationships with students, parents, colleagues, and administrators.
- Maximized student learning outcomes; used integrating technology (Smart Board, Timer Tools, Document Camera, Lightspeed audio technology, and Accelerated Reader).
- Facilitated a Vertical team focused on the achievements and academic needs of students.
- Trained educators on the standards-based achievement reports; used to analyze students' progress.
- Supported team as the grade level chairperson for two years.
- Participated in PTA meetings.

**Instructional Assistant**, Durbin Elementary, Hamilton Southeastern Schools; April 2006 to August 2008

- Worked with students who had autism, sensory integration dysfunction, and learning disabilities.
  - Instructed first grade guided reading at Durbin, Recipient of 2007 Indiana Reading Award.
  - Instructed first and second grade math intervention groups.
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## RELATED TEACHING EXPERIENCES

A+ TUTOR U – MULBERRY, FL 2011-2012

YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM – IUPUI SUMMER 2005

COLLEGE PREPARATORY INITIATIVES PROGRAM – IUPUI SPRING 2003