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“Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already mastered, you will never grow.”

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Objective: It is my objective to combine my traditional teaching experience with my new skills in technology to create an innovating, engaging, and exciting classroom in the 21st century.

Education: Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
Master of Arts in Educational Technology August 2015 – Current
32 graduate credits November 2016

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
Fifth year teacher intern program August 2012 – May 2013
12 graduate credits May 2013

Bachelor of Arts May 2012
Major: Elementary Education
Teaching Major: Mathematics
Other: ZS Endorsement in Early Childhood and Special Education

Certification: Michigan Elementary Provisional Certificate
K – 5 All Subject Areas
Mathematics 6 – 8 May 2013
ZS Endorsement May 2013

Teaching

Experience: Kindergarten Teacher, Joseph M. Carkenord
L'Anse Creuse Public Schools
August 2015-Present

Kindergarten Teacher, Chesterfield Elementary
L'Anse Creuse Public Schools
August 2013 – Present

- established and maintained classroom rules
- created daily lesson plans and implemented online lesson plans
- introduced lessons using technology such as iPads, SmartBoard, and Elmo
- managed paraprofessionals and teacher aide within the classroom
- established reading groups focusing on student needs
- maintained parent communication through e-mails, phone calls, newsletters and conferences
- monitored student progress through assessments and report cards
- planned and prepared lessons with another teacher
- fostered an inclusive environment by including children of special needs such as autism
- led and coordinated the school Green Team

Paraprofessional, Mt. Clemens School District
May 2013 – June 2013, Grades 3-5

- reinforced skills taught in math and literacy
- provided one on one assistance to the lowest 30% achieving students

Teacher Intern Seminole Academy
Mt. Clemens School District
September 2012 – May 2013
Kindergarten

- composed unit lesson plans for every core subject
- monitored students progress by completing assessments and report cards
- coordinated reading buddies with another teacher
- established pen pals with a class in Chicago
- participated in school wide events
- expanded student's development by introducing sign language in the classroom
- modified and executed previously established routines

- designed and instructed lessons using various types of technology
- facilitated parent-teacher conferences
- oversaw and guided students in after school Math Club

Substitute Teacher
Mt. Clemens School District 2013

MSU Child Development Laboratories Lab, Haslett, Michigan
January 2012 – May 2012, Age Level: 4-5 years

- prepared, taught, and implemented daily activities in all developmental domains
- led, managed, and supervised a classroom of children
- utilized a variety of assessment tools; anecdotes, pictures, and checklists
- worked in a Head Start funded program meeting local and federal standards along with Great Start Readiness programs
- incorporated families through home visits, newsletters, and conferences
- planned and facilitated a school wide event around the topic of literacy
- worked with children who have speech and language delays as well as developmental delays
- conducted a teacher research project within the classroom
- organized and collaborated with a team of teachers

St. Thomas Aquinas School, East Lansing, Michigan
September, 2011 - April, 2012, Grade Level: Kindergarten

- developed and taught hands-on lessons in literacy, mathematics, science, and social studies
- taught and critiqued a field study lesson

Professional Development:

- Kagan Professional Development, Sterling Heights, MI, August 2016
- School Improvement (every Wednesday), Chesterfield, MI September 2015 – June 2016
- School Improvement (every Wednesday), Chesterfield, MI, September 2013-May 2015
- ELA Make and Take Foldables, Clinton Township, MI, February 2015
- Making Macomb Transitions: Transition to Kindergarten, Clinton Township, MI, January 2015
- Mentor and Mentee Meeting, Clinton Township, MI, October 2014
- SmartBoard Training, Chesterfield, MI, August 2014
- Current Trends in Cyber Bullying, Clinton Township, MI, February 2014
- Writing in the Content Areas, Clinton Township, MI, January 2014
- Formative Assessment, Clinton Township, MI, January 2014
- Intervention to Suicide, Clinton Township, MI, December 2013
- Book Talk: The New Elementary Teacher Handbook, Clinton Township, MI, December 2013
- Planning and Preparation, Clinton Township, MI, December 2013
- Bullying Prevention Awareness-Elementary Level, Clinton Township, MI, November 2013
- Classroom Management Tune Up; Reflecting on Your First Month, Clinton Township, MI, November 2013
- Book Talk: First Year Teacher's Survival Guide, Clinton Township, MI, November 2013
- Technology to Tackle Complex Text for Struggling Students, Clinton Township, MI, October 2013
- Classroom Instruction That Works, Clinton Township, MI, August 2013

Technology:

Proficient in: Mac, PC, Microsoft Office, Prezi, Google for Education, Learning and Course Management, iPad, Apps, SMARTboards, online tools, assessments, networking, social media, blogger, video and audio editing, website creation, digital design, Wiki

Interests:

Reading, traveling, arts and crafts, sports, exercise

