

Education

Michigan State University - East Lansing, Michigan

- Master of Arts in Educational Technology

Spring Arbor University - Spring Arbor, Michigan

- Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education (NCLB Highly Qualified)
- Special Education: Learning Disabilities

Siena Heights University - Adrian, Michigan

- Adrian Dominican Montessori Teacher Education Institute
- Montessori Pre-Primary Teacher Certification

Areas of Excellence

- Successful classroom management and Response to Intervention training
- Curriculum development, budget and implementation
- Extensive knowledge in child development, educational technology and special education
- Excellent professional verbal and written communication skills
- Comprehensive knowledge of Michigan licensing rules and regulations
- Certified in CPR and First Aid
- Fingerprints on record through Ingham Intermediate School District
- Crisis Prevention Intervention certified
- MLPP/QRI certified

Experience

2012-Present: Okemos Public Montessori at Central - Okemos, Michigan

- **PPK Teacher: Pre-Primary/Kindergarten**

- Researched based best practices lesson development
- Reading Street
- Montessori Math
- Aimsweb data plotting and progress monitoring
- RTI implementation
- IEP team meetings
- Power School report cards (Common Core aligned)
- MiBLSi (Peace Curriculum)
- Professional Learning Community meetings and staff meetings
- Parent-Teacher conferences
- School Improvement Team

2010-2012: Ingham Intermediate School District - Okemos, Michigan

- **Early Childhood Response to Intervention Coach**
- Participant in training for RTI (Aimsweb), Early Literacy, English Language Learners, ELLCO, Social-Emotional Assessment, MiBLSi, PBIS, MCLASS EDC
- Observe and implement quality changes in early childhood classrooms, plan interention for at-risk identified students
- Coaching of teachers and support staff in implementing these changes
- Monitoring of implementation progress in coaching

2002-2011 Okemos Public Montessori at Central - Okemos, Michigan

- **Director of Montessori Kindergarten Enrichment**
- Developed lesson plans aligned with appropriate age level
- MI/School District GLCE's and Common Core State Standards
- Write monthly newsletters, website upkeep and lesson plans
- Create and operate under annual budget
- Attend monthly staff meetings
- Conduct Parent-Teacher conferences
- Conduct extracurricular activities
- Promote program through web, brochure and public speaking

2001-2002 Okemos Public Montessori at Central - Okemos, Michigan

- **Paraprofessional/Assistant Director**
- Began the Montessori program as a pilot program in 2002
- Assisted in the education of PPK students per state GLCE's
- Actively involved in student recruitment program promotion
- Teacher during teacher maternity leave of Co-worker

1998-2001 Bayside Academy East Campus - Gulf Shores, Alabama

- **Lead Classroom Teacher**
- Development of a Pre-K program for the school
- Taught Pre-K program and recruited children
- Taught library and music for Pre-K through 5th grades

1997-1998 Weinackers Montessori School - Mobile, Alabama

- **Lead Classroom Teacher**
- Budgeted and facilitated new classroom curriculum and materials
- Worked with at-risk families on a daily basis
- Held group time with children including music, poetry and regular lessons
- Taught and wrote lesson plans in math, language, sensorial and practical life
- Kept records on each child and developed lesson plans accordingly