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HIGHLY QUALIFIED ELEMENTARY EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

A highly skilled, dynamic, dedicated, and results-oriented elementary education professional with demonstrated experience working with mainstream and diverse student populations. An effective motivator with over 20 years of practical experience in human service-related environments. Team player recognized for ability to establish and maintain solid relationships with co-workers, administration, students, and parents. Recognized as a resourceful and reliable teacher with the ability to perform accurate student assessments and conceptualize and implement individualized education plans.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- *Special Ed Inclusion*
- *Cooperative Learning*
- *Instructional Development*
- *Life Skills Training*
- *Differentiated Instruction*
- *Creative Lesson Planning*
- *Multisensory Lessons*
- *Home-School Collaboration*
- *Integration of Technology*
- *Behavior Modification*
- *ESL Experience*
- *Multicultural Units*
- *Character Development*
- *Performance Assessments*
- *Integrated Instructional Units*

EDUCATION, ENDORSEMENTS & HONORS

Whitworth University, Spokane, Washington

Currently Pursuing Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education
Special Education Minor

Highly Qualified and Endorsed in Reading (Praxis Exam 0300)/Elementary Education (Praxis Exam 0014)
Expected Graduation Date: May 2008
GPA: 3.5

Spokane Falls Community College, Spokane, Washington

Associates of Arts in Human Services, Major: Psychology/Sociology
Graduated: May 1994

FORMAL TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS

- WORD Conference, 2007
- Spokane Regional ESL Conference "Inspiring Teachers," 2007
- Get Lit! Teachers/Writers Dialogue, 2006
- Building Millennial Minds-Preparing Today's Readers for Tomorrow's World, 2005
- Working with People with Long-term Psychiatric Disabilities (100 Hours of Training), 1992
- Spokane Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Center (30 Hours of Training), 1989
- First Aid and CPR Certified

KEY QUALIFICATIONS/HIGHLIGHTS OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Worked as a Student Teacher at a Title 1 Elementary School; developed, implemented and taught curriculum in a variety of subject matters including: the Harcourt Reading program, Rebecca Sitton Spelling series, Investigations in Mathematics, a Foss Science Unit called the Structures of Life, and a social studies unit based on the history of Spokane.
- As an Americorp Volunteer, promoted, organized and facilitated community partnership clubs serving at-risk youth populations; taught campfire self-reliance courses to elementary age youth (courses included service learning, babysitting, peer refusal skills, assertiveness skills, etc.); followed the national curriculum and teacher's guide; Recruited, supervised, and retained volunteers.
- Participated in an Inter-Cultural Field Experience in an ESL Classroom at Ferris High School.
- Completed the Whitworth University Literacy Center Special Education Practicum; provided direct instruction one-on-one and to small groups in the areas of reading, writing, spelling, and mathematics; assessed students for instructional placement.

AFFILIATIONS

- Member, Pi Lambda Theta National Honor Society of Educators
 - Member, Washington Organization of Reading Teachers
 - Member, International Reading Association
 - Americorp Volunteer, Camp-Fire USA
 - Whitworth University Literacy Volunteer

CHRONOLOGY OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

J.S.H. Inc., Spokane, WA <i>Manager/Resident Attendant/On-Call Worker</i>	April 1990 - Present
Regal Elementary School, Spokane, WA <i>Student Teacher, 3rd Grade</i>	Sept. 2007 - Nov. 2007
Spokane Mental Health, Spokane, WA <i>Residential Care Worker</i>	Jan. 1997 - Jan. 1998
Grande Manor, Inc., Spokane, WA <i>Mental Health Group Home Manager</i>	Apr. 1995 - Apr. 1997
Salvation Army, Spokane, WA <i>Shelter Monitor</i>	Jan. 1993 - Jan. 1994
Sunshine House, Spokane, WA <i>Resident Assistant</i>	Sept. 1989 - Mar. 1990
Children's Home Society, Spokane, WA <i>Volunteer Case Aide</i>	Apr. 1989 - May 1990

References and Supporting Documentation Furnished Upon Request