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EDUCATION & TRAINING

Master of Arts in Teaching, Language Arts

Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island

Bachelor of Arts, English Major

St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York

Special Education Licensure

Collaborative for Educational Services, Northampton, Massachusetts

Completed coursework toward Massachusetts certification for teacher of students with moderate disabilities. Eligible for preliminary license, grades K-12.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Director of Communications

Center for Responsive Schools/Responsive Classroom

2014 – 2017

Turners Falls, Massachusetts

Responsible for providing strategic and tactical leadership for educational nonprofit organization offering professional development for K-8 schools nationwide and in the international school community.

- ♦ Supervised event manager, website/social media specialist, and data analyst
- ♦ Represented organization annually at national and international conferences
- ♦ Developed and executed a yearly strategic growth plan

Director of Publications

Center for Responsive Schools/Responsive Classroom

2001 – 2014

Turners Falls, Massachusetts

Led a team of 7 full-time staff members in the development and production of retail books, videos, multimedia products, and curriculum materials for use in professional development workshops and consulting services for K-8 schools.

- ♦ Supervised manager of publications, editor/writers, graphic designer, production assistant, and freelance videographers and photographers
- ♦ Oversaw the development of website, quarterly newsletter, and branding materials
- ♦ Served on senior leadership team of five people

Editor/Writer

Center for Responsive Schools/Responsive Classroom

1995 – 2001

Turners Falls, Massachusetts

Served as editor, writer, and project manager for professional development resources for K-8 educators and mentored new editorial staff members. Coauthored 2 retail books for teachers.

Special Education Teacher **1989 – 1995**
Center for Responsive Schools/Responsive Classroom *Greenfield, Massachusetts*

Taught children with special needs, ages 6-14, in small group settings in Responsive Classroom K-8 laboratory school. Served as co-teacher in regular classroom setting to provide support for children with social-emotional and learning challenges.

Student Advocate/Teacher **1987 – 1989**
Success in Schooling Program *Ft. Bragg, California*

Taught and served as an advocate and family liaison for students ages 9-18 in a drop-out prevention program.

Special Education Tutor/Advocate **1985 – 1987**
University Tutoring Services *Seattle, Washington*

Tutored and advocated for middle and high school students with learning, social-emotional, and behavioral challenges.

Classroom Teacher **1985 – 1986**
St. Joseph's School *Seattle, Washington*

Taught language arts to eighth grade students. Served as advisor for the school newspaper.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Special Education Surrogate Parent **2009 – Present**
Federation for Children with Special Needs *Boston, Massachusetts*

Serve as volunteer special education advocate and decision maker for children who are in state custody.

Home Visitor/Family Support **2017 – Present**
It Takes a Village *Williamsburg, Massachusetts*

Provide support to families with infants and young children living in the hill-town communities of western Massachusetts.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Rules in School: Teaching Discipline in the Responsive Classroom
2003 (1st ed.) 2011 (2nd ed.)

Coauthored a book for K-8 teachers on teaching positive behavior.

Classroom Spaces That Work
2001

Coauthored a book for K-6 teachers on creating a physical environment that is well suited to students' developmental needs.