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ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Ed.D. GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, Statesboro, Georgia
2017 Major: Curriculum Studies.

M.A. NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
2004 Major: Reading

B.A. C.W. POST: LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY, Brookville, New York
1994 Major: Elementary Education

CERTIFICATIONS AND ENDORSEMENTS

Florida Educator Certification, Elementary Education Grades 1-6
Florida Educator Certification, Reading K-12
ESOL – 60 hours

AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Master Trainer: Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading (FAIR)
Master Trainer: Florida Reading Initiative (FRI)
2006 Teacher of the Year, Rymfire Elementary
2003 Employee of the Month, February, Indian Trails K-8
2002 Disney Teacher of the Year Nominee

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2017- Present **Assistant Professor**, Florida Southern College, Lakeland, FL

Teach undergraduate and graduate courses in Teacher Education.
Supervise pre-service teachers during Field Placements and Final Internships. Chair dissertations in Doctor of Education program.

2015-2017 **Assistant Principal**, Independence Academy, Plant City, FL

Ensured the smooth operation of the K-8 school including hiring and evaluation of staff, curricular decisions, staff training, facilities management, student discipline, scheduling, and student drop off and pick-up.

- 2010-2015 **Instructor**, Georgia Southern University
Taught courses in the Curriculum, Foundations, and Reading Department including Cognition and Language, Current Trends in Education, Reading in the Content area, and Literacy Assessment and Instruction. Also taught First Year Experience (FYE) courses and mentored new faculty teaching FYE courses. Responsibilities also included supervising pre-service teachers in field placements.
- 2006-2010 **Reading Coach**, Rymfire Elementary School, Palm Coast, Florida
Provided training and support to 120+ teachers implementing research based reading strategies through all content areas. Disaggregated data at the school, classroom, and student level as a member of the administrative team. Led RtI meetings for many of the 1550 students in grades K-6 who needed additional instructional interventions. Part of the leadership team that opened Rymfire Elementary in 2006 that was named one of thirty three Apple Distinguished schools in the nation and as a Florida Positive Behavior Support Model School. Supported administration through leadership roles on numerous committees.
- 2004-2006 **Reading Coach**, Wadsworth Elementary School, Palm Coast, Florida
- 2001-2004 **Teacher - Grades K, 1, and 2**, Indian Trails K-8, Palm Coast, FL
Taught summer reading camp classes for struggling 3rd grade students.
- 1999-2001 **Teacher - Grades 1 and 2**, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Elementary, Palm Coast, FL
- 1996-1999 **Teacher - Grade 1**, Alexander Elementary, Tampa, FL

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & WORKSHOPS

Flagler County School District Service & Workshops

Committees

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| 2008 - 2010 | Coordinator, Flagler Spring Literacy Festival |
| 2006 - 2010 | Member, Response to Intervention (RtI) Leadership Team |
| 2004 - 2010 | Member, District Reading Coach Team |
| 2007 - 2008 | Member, Reading Grading Policy Development Team |

2006 - 2007 Member, Reading Series Adoption Committee

Workshops

2009 - 2010 DART Training- Quarterly meetings to disaggregate progress monitoring data
2010, July FAIR training - Trained all District Reading Coaches
2008, Aug. Created Video for Literacy Essentials and Reading Network (LEaRN) to model vocabulary strategies.
2007, Oct. Literature Circles - One day training for teachers
2006, Mar. Read Aloud Training - One day training for teachers
2005, June Literacy Stations - Three day training for teachers
2004, Oct. Reciprocal Teaching - Two day training for teachers
2003, Jan. Word Sorts - One day training for teachers
2002, Sept. 90 Minute Reading Block: Using Time Effectively - One day training for teacher

School Service & Workshops

Committees

2006 - 2010 Lead Teacher, Title I Team
2006 - 2010 Coordinator, NEA Read Across America Celebration
2005 - 2010 Coordinator, Relay for Life
2004 - 2010 Member, Administrative Lead Team
2004 - 2010 Testing Coordinator
2004 - 2010 Member, PTO
2003 - 2010 Team Leader, Literacy Council
2001 - 2010 Coordinator, Red Ribbon Drug Awareness Team
2007 - 2008 Secretary, School Advisory Council (SAC)

Facilitated Book Studies

2010, Apr. To Understand: New Horizons in Reading Comprehension - Keene, E.O.
2010, Jan. The Café Book - Boushey, G. & Moser, J.
2009, Oct. Strategies that Work - Harvey, S. & Goudvis, A.
2008, Feb. Bringing Words to Life - Beck, I.
2006, Mar. The Fluent Reader - Rasinski, T.
2005, Mar. When Kids Can't Read - Beers, G.K.
2003, Aug. Literacy Work Stations - Diller, D.
2003, Dec. Practice with Purpose - Diller, D.

REFERENCES

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