Michelle Nacovsky

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ART TEACHER

- Highly organized and passionate professional with experience in grades K-12
- Incorporates a wide variety of inspiration to appeal to all ages
- Explores different mediums and techniques to drive student motivation
- Provides positive encouragement and individualized attention to see each child succeed
- Proficient in time management and classroom efficiency
- Effective communicator with strong interpersonal skills, as well as collaborative educator
- Dedicated to teaching art appreciation and promoting creativity

CERTIFICATIONS

NYS Initial Certification in Art Education, K-12

NYS Teaching Assistant Certification, K-12

First Aid, CPR, and EpiPen Certified

March 2012

February 2010

June 2012

EDUCATION

Long Island University (C.W. POST)- Brookville, New York

June 2009 – December 2011

Masters of Science degree - Art Education, K-12

GPA: 3.8

Rochester Institute of Technology- Rochester, New York

Bachelors of Fine Arts degree - Graphic Design Associates degree - Sociology/Anthropology GPA: 3.4 September 2003 – May 2007

September 2011 – December 2011

STUDENT TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Westbury School District: Westbury, New York

Drexel elementary school & Westbury high school

Grades: 2nd - 12th in Art Education

- Wrote and taught lesson plans under the supervision of my cooperating teacher
- Assisted in creating rubrics and assessing students' progress and projects
- Attended Art Club, extra help, faculty meetings and parent teacher conferences
- Great Neck Arts Center <u>Town of North Hempstead 2011 Recycled Artwork Contest</u>
 During student teaching I guided one of my classes to enter the contest and we won the privilege to visit the state legislative building in Albany to meet the assembly members and senator

WORK EXPERIENCE

Substitute Teacher

February 2012 – Present

Island Trees & Westbury School Districts: Levittown & Westbury, New York

- Instruct classes of as many as 35 students incorporating technology for varied academic disciplines
- Effectively communicate with students, teachers, administrators and parents
- Foster a safe, positive and energetic learning environment.

In-Home Tutor

January 2013 – Present

Club Z!: Wantagh, New York

- Work one-on-one with children at the elementary level for reading and math
- Help with homework and create lesson plans to further enhance their subject knowledge
- Create visual aides, custom worksheets, board games, and flash cards to adapt to their learning style
- Increased student tests scores from below grade level to functioning at grade level

Art Specialist June 2013 – August 2013

Summer Y.E.S. Program, Island Trees School District: Levittown, New York

- Created a fun and educational summer curriculum for campers ages 5-12
- Met with committee of directors and assistants to enhance lesson plans and order supplies
- Worked hands on with every camper to fulfill the learning objective

Art Specialist June 2012 – August 2012

Camps 'R' Us: Hicksville, New York

- Designed lesson plans and instructed summer art classes for campers, ages 3-15
- Work on a daily basis with campers, teachers and directors in a collaborative team environment
- Displayed campers artwork, created signs, posters, and banners for other camp related functions

Graphic Designer

July 2010 - September 2011

JW Creations Inc.: Melville, New York

- Conceptualized and designed acrylic 3-D awards for prestigious clients
- Recreated corporate logos into vector format
- Retouched, siloed and color corrected product shots for print and web

Teacher's Assistant February 2010 – May 2010

C.W. POST'S Gifted Youth Program: Brookville, New York

- Helped elementary children with their daily curriculum
- Assisted professor with classroom supplies such as pencils, handouts, and calculators
- Kept accurate attendance records for all students

Jr. Graphic Designer

July 2007 - December 2008

Brinkmann Instruments, Inc: Westbury, New York

- Created a wide variety of graphic media from in-house stationery to tradeshow graphics
- Assisted in all creative thinking processes from start to finish of each piece
- Organized and managed physical and computer design files

TECHNOLOGY (MAC AND PC PROFICIENT)

Outlook, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint), Adobe Acrobat, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Smart Board and Promethean board

HONORS & AWARDS

Excellence in the ArtsDeans List, Rochester Institute of Technology

2003

2007

• Deans List, C.W. Post

2010, 2011, 2012