Meredith Felton

Professional Experience

Decatur, GA City Schools of Decatur July 2017 – Present Lead Pre-K Teacher • Ensures a positive, safe and engaging instructional environment for 22 young children, ages 4-5 years old. Plans and implements developmentally appropriate interactive learning experiences based on Georgia Early Learning and Development Standards. Communicates regularly with parents outside normal classroom day by means of class • newsletters, notes, telephone calls, conferences, emails, websites, etc. • Develops lesson plans and instructional materials and provides small group and individualized instruction to adapt the curriculum to the needs of each pupil. Participates in professional learning to increase skills and proficiency related to job . responsibilities and serves on committees when needed. First Grade Teacher Provides instruction to a class of 21 students with a variety of teaching styles. . Evaluates student performance using Common Core Guidelines. Maintains weekly running records on reading levels and documents student progress. • Maintains contact with parents in regard to student performance through activities such as parent-teacher conferences, progress reports, letters, and special meetings. Maintains professional development through activities such as classes, conferences, . seminars, workshops, and professional journals. Austin, Texas Austin Independent School District, Dawson December 2013 – June 2014 **Elementary School** First Grade ESL Teacher Provides instruction to a class: whole group of 17 students, individual students, or groups of students using such methods as oral presentation, visual aids and anchor charts, demonstration, total physical response, drama-based instruction, and games. Facilitates learning in the classroom. • Plans lessons, including activities such as preparing learning objectives and goals, age-appropriate assessments, and multi-level small group reading activities. Evaluates student performance. Maintains records and documents student progress.

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Brandon, Mississippi

July 2011 – July 2012	Kyotango Board of Education – The Japan	Kyotango, Japan
	Exchange & Teaching (JET) Program	

Assistant Language Teacher

- Public servant and cultural representative of the United States of America to a local Japanese government.
- Promoting internationalization at the grassroots level through cultural exchange activities, school festivals, and community events.
- Implementing quality instruction of the English language via team teaching at various junior high, elementary, and kindergarten schools. (12 schools, 800+ students, 50+ classroom teachers)
- Planning, designing and creating academic media for classroom instruction, using Microsoft Office Suite and graphic/video editing software.

August 2008 – JuneKids R Kids – School of Quality LearningRoswell, Georgia2011

Lead Pre-K Teacher

- Leading and managing a classroom of 20 students. (ages: 4-5 years)
- Planning and implementing age-appropriate curriculum based on Georgia's Bright From The Start Pre-K operating guidelines.
- Assessing student performance through anecdotal notes, work samples, photos, and matrices.
- Establishing positive and professional relationships with parents of the students. Maintaining said relationships with weekly newsletters, open email and phone communication, individualized student documentation, and two conferences per year.

Education

2003-2007

Auburn University

Auburn, Alabama

Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education

- Cum Laude Honors Graduate
- Highly Qualified, Certified Educator (EC-6th Generalist, English as a Second Language) in Texas, Mississippi, and Georgia

Skills

- Proficient in using multi-function printers and scanners, Google Apps for Education, Microsoft Office Suite, multimedia projectors, and Internet browser software.
- Experience with HTML, WordPress blog publishing, and social media platforms.
- Developed and led engaging informational presentations.