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PROFILE

Passionate educator, with over twenty years of experience, in search of innovative career opportunities where my experience as an educator can add value. An entrepreneur with an appreciation for challenging others to envision new possibilities for their future. Highly creative visual artist specializing in photography curating and communicating her passion through her professional roles and various volunteer ventures.

EMPLOYMENT

2022- present Visual Arts Teacher: St. Mary's Catholic School Mansfield, MA

- Designed a multi-dimensional interdisciplinary, and multicultural visual arts curriculum aligned with the Massachusetts Arts Curriculum Frameworks, the Massachusetts Arts Core Course Objectives and the National Core Arts Standards
- Established grade level benchmarks for students in pre-kindergarten through grade eight.
- Coordinated art exhibitions, school displays and social media: visibility leads to value

2021- present Adaptive Art Instructor: Foxborough Recreation Department

- Customizes art instruction and maintains Instagram account for the Special Social Group

2021-present Foxborough Cultural Council Member

- Responsible for approving 15 grants out of 31 applicants allocating 7,500 in local funding for the arts
- Involved in the grant process and fundraising efforts for town art installation project entitled "Fox-in the Boro"

2015- present Photographer Athletics, Arts and Entertainment, and Community Events

2014-2021 First Grade Teacher: Vincent M. Igo Elementary School Foxboro, MA

- Cultivated a culture that celebrated flexible thinkers, praised persevering problem solvers, embraced diversity and encouraged individuals to explore different means of self-expression.
- Utilized components of Responsive Classroom, Think Kids, and Zones of Regulation programs to create a safe, inclusive learning environment.
- Ignited curiosity for complex principles through hands-on learning, investigation opportunities and personalized experiences based on student interest.
- Researched and implemented new technologies and teaching strategies to accommodate different learning styles.
- Facilitated Weebly Website Workshop for Educators

2008-2019 Camp Director/Instructor: Cape Cod Dance Studio, Cataumet, MA

2003-2014 Second Grade Teacher: Vincent M. Igo Elementary School, Foxboro, MA

2000-2003 Second Grade Teacher: Taylor Elementary School, Foxboro, MA

AFFILIATIONS

Spring 2022 Girls on the Run Coach

Social Emotional Learning Committee

Report Card Revision Committee

Technology Standards Committee

TECHNOLOGY

Microsoft Office (Word, Excel and PowerPoint) Adobe Photoshop, SWAY, PhotoStory3, Kid Blog, Clever, BUZZ, Illuminate, Baseline Edge, Interactive SMART board, Hover Cam, Green Screen

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Teacher Professional Licensure Elementary Education 1-6

Massachusetts Sheltered English Immersion SEI Endorsement

2018-present 30 Additional College Credits and PDPs for Recertification of Licensure

2005 Masters in Elementary Education Fitchburg State University, Fitchburg, MA

2000 BS in Education and Sociology University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA