

DEBORA FARR

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EXPERIENCED TEACHER • CURRICULUM DEVELOPER • EDUCATIONAL LEADER

- Respected, dedicated and experienced teacher (Pre-school - High School).
- Recognized for creativity and passion towards teaching and learning.
- ESL experience in Adult Education/Tutor

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

- Proven ability to improve students' literacy/ writing skills
- Skilled in individualizing instructional programming to support all students
- Sound knowledge of curriculum development coupled with the a desire to work with a team to create a successful learning environment for all students and colleagues
- Reputation for high expectations of student performance and behavior
- Possess strong skills in organization, interpersonal communication, and working collaboratively with colleagues
- Extensive experience in Special Education: Special Education Law and IEP process

ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND EXPERIENCE

M.S.A.D. 6 Buxton Center (B.C.E.S) Buxton, ME

5th Grade Teacher, Lead Teacher, 2nd Grade, 1st Grade, Transitional 1st, Kindergarten,
Speech-Language Therapist: Pre-school to High School (1987-present)

- Designed and implemented curriculums for five different grade levels (K-5)
- Integrated technology within teaching practices/continue to develop skills
- Incorporated data to inform instruction/ decision-making related to student achievement
- Supported teachers as they implemented PBIS: Positive Behavior Intervention System
- Facilitated the RTI Team (Response To Intervention)
- Represented Classroom Teachers on the K-12 Curriculum Team to ensure our curriculum was aligned and met standards
- Developed and revised rubrics and assessments for learning goals for Grades 2 and 5
- Supported teachers as they implemented PBIS: Positive Behavior Intervention System
- Facilitated the RTI Team (Response To Intervention)
- Created/Led Powerpoint presentations related to District Goals for workshops
- Collaborated with curriculum director and vertical team members in determining ELA Graduation Standards and Performance Indicators for ELA K-12

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Buxton Center (B.C.E.S.)

Lead Teacher 2013-2014

Oversaw 300 students and 30 staff members

Managed all IEP meetings

Led monthly Village staff meeting

Organized the lunch, recess, and duty schedules

Addressed Level 2 student behaviors (intermediate step between classroom and principal's office)

Handled discipline and contacted parents

Developed individual daily check-in/check-out behavior plans for increased student success

Coordinated service learning projects for our village

ADDITIONAL LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE:

Mentor teacher, certified

RTI Coordinator

PBIS member

Member of Teacher Union

Language Arts/S.S. Vertical Teams

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

ESL Adult Education, Portland ME Summer 2015 - Present

Provide individualized instruction, and work with small groups on a weekly basis and 4 week summer program. Model language for learners. Guided small conversational groups. Tutored students on grammar, reading, comprehension, Literacy, homework, public speaking, and computer skills.

Preble Street (Florence House), Portland ME 2012- 2016

Florence House provides safe, supported housing to chronically homeless women in Portland, Maine. Prepared, served, and cleaned up for lunch and dinner. Committed to volunteering at least once a week for 3 years and on call. Replaced this volunteering opportunity with the above due to shoulder issues/surgery.

EDUCATION

Saint Joseph's College, Standish, ME

M.S., ED. in Educational Leadership

2013-2014

University of Maine at Farmington

BS in Elementary Education, Speech Therapy/Elem.Ed K-8

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Education	New England College
1979-83	B.A. Psychology
2002-3	UNH CII Certification in General Special Education
Experience	
2003-Present	Special Education Teacher(HQT) Kearsarge Regional School District, Warner, NH
2007-2012	Alternate Assessment Portfolio Scorer Dept. of Ed. NH
2010-2011	DLM Alignment to State Standards (Science) Dept of Ed. NH
9/2000-03	Head Preschool Teacher ~ Crayon College, Henniker, NH
9/98-02	Administration/Admissions/Child Care Coordinator/Special Education Tutor – 2 nd – 8 th Grade Hopkinton Independent School, Hopkinton, NH
11/97 – 9/98	Speech & Language Therapy Tutor – Preschool – Grade 5 Manchester Public School System, Manchester, NH
4/97 – 8/97	National Board of Certification – Scorer & Evaluator Scoring Portfolios of Candidates Seeking National Board Certification
10/91 – 11/97	Head Teacher Preschool Classroom Teacher Infant/Toddler Classroom ~ Kindergarten/School-age Coordinator Children’s Learning Center - St. Paul’s School, Concord, NH
9/85 – 5/90	Head Teacher – Preschool - Kindergarten Little Peoples Depot ~ New Boston, NH
10/83 – 5/85	Chapter 1 – Home Visitor SAU #24 ~ Hillsboro/Stoddard/Henniker, NH
6/84	White Birch Community Center-Developed and Directed Day Camp Program
3/82 – 9/83	Rowe Barn Community Residential Program for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities

- Parent/Child Behavior Workshops 2004-Present
- Assessment and Evaluation Committee 2014 (Utilizing the Danielson Model)
- RTI Committee 2007-2016
- Writing Committee 2005- 2010
- Hiring Committee 2005- Present (Administration and Classroom/Special Educators
- Mentor New Faculty 2011, 2015-2016
- Presenter at Christa MCauliffe Technology Conference 2013, 2014, 2015
- Workshop Presenter APPS for Writing, Math and Reading 2008-present
- Facilitate After School Activities (Lego Club, Chess Club, Zumba Club, Homework Club, Cooking Club) 2004-Present
- SBAC Test Administration
- DLM administration
- CPI Trained 2009-Present
- ABA Trained
- Social Thinking Training 2014- ongoing