**CERTIFICATIONS**

Colorado Department of Education Initial Teaching License received May 2015

**EDUCATION**

Colorado State University Fort Collins, CO

Bachelors of Arts Degree Concentration: Art Education

Studio Concentration: Photography

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Art Teacher at Otero Elementary School in Harrison School District 2 –** August 2015 – present

* Planned and differentiated standards-based lessons for elementary levels of art from kindergarten to fifth grade in a Title 1 school
* Curated school-wide art shows demonstrating student work and their knowledge of art concepts and techniques
* Implemented a “demonstration of knowledge” question at the end of each lesson to assess students understanding and guide future instruction
* Prepared students for proficiency on district wide curriculum-based art assessment
* Built relationships and excitement for this subject though an after school art club
* Covered a variety of art topics in lessons relating techniques, art history, and cultures while allowing students to use their creativity
* Coached a Destination Imagination team

**Student Teaching at Fort Collins High School** – Spring 2015

* Taught a full schedule of high school photography courses including Photography 1 and Creative Photography
* Originated both formative and summative assessments aligned to lesson objectives
* Implemented literacy and numeracy within lessons aligned to Colorado Visual Art Standards
* Communicated with parents when concerned about student progress to strengthen support systems
* Attended professional development including teacher workshops, meetings and PARCC training
* Displayed student artwork in the school hallways to instill pride in students and contribute to the school community

**Student Teaching at Truscott Elementary School/Sarah Milner Elementary School** – Spring 2015

* Created and taught two-dimensional lessons on figure drawing, drawing characters, horizon line, foreground, background, symmetry, symbolism, value and shading
* Created and taught three-dimensional lessons on symbolic clay masks, Aboriginal circular weaving, Aboriginal batik techniques, and modeling clay sculptures
* Provided effective systems and structures of classroom management to provide an environment for learning to take place

**RELATED TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Lab School for Creative Learning** – Fall 2014

* Planned and taught 2/3 grade art classes for a semester with a complete unit plan
* Lessons included collage, drawing, printmaking, fiber arts, and video technology
* Lessons were aligned with state standards and included literacy and numeracy

**Artistic Abilities Service Learning** - Spring 2014

* Taught a 5-week art class for members of the Fort Collins community of all ages with various disabilities
* Lessons incorporated two-dimensional materials including watercolor pencil techniques, collage, and painting

**Bauder Elementary School** - **Literacy Tutor** - September 2012 – December 2014

* Aided ELL classroom by assisting with literacy activities for both small groups and individual students with minimal English
* Gained teaching and classroom management experience and built relationships with students providing knowledge to further recognize needs and empathize with students with language barriers

**Lewis-Palmer School District - Paraprofessional** - May- July 2011-2013

* Was a paraprofessional for Extended School Year Program
* Supported students with disabilities and with IEPs who were behind in reading and math

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Hostess - C. B. and Potts Restaurant and Brewery** February 2015 – June 2015

* Organize seating of guests to enhance service
* Interact with guests to maintain a positive experience

**RECOGNITION**

TILT Art Competition Winner 2014-2015

-*Colorado Morning Glory* – a fibers wall hanging created with dye and pigment on cotton

Mini Gallery Art Show May 2015

Colorado State University Art Department

**REFERENCES**

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