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EDUCATION

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| MS | Angelo State University, Guidance and Counseling
San Angelo, TX | December 2009 |
| BS | Texas Tech University, Early Childhood Education
Graduated Magna Cum Laude
Lubbock, TX | May 2000 |

CERTIFICATIONS

- Family and Consumer Sciences Grades 6-12, 2018**
- School Counselor Grades EC-12, 2009**
- English as a Second Language Supplemental Grades PK-12, 2008**
- Elementary Early Childhood Education Grades PK-6, 2000**
- Elementary Self-Contained Grades PK-6, 2000**

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher, Junior High/High School

Sterling City Junior High/High School August 2019-Present

- Administer, review, and evaluate career standardized data profiles, such as the O*NET, in order to assist students with career and vocational awareness, exploration, and planning.
- Advocate for a school environment in which diversity is acknowledged and respected, resulting in positive interactions across all cultures, genders, ethnicities, and learning styles.
- Use counseling-related research techniques and practices as well as technology and other resources to facilitate continued professional growth
- Work with students to provide knowledge on how to enhance employability skills for future endeavors.

Math and Science Teacher, Fifth Grade

Sterling City Elementary, Sterling City, TX August 2013 to July 2019

- Provide individual counseling and planning to guide students as they plan, monitor, and manage their own educational, personal, and social development with appropriate interventions that assist in personalized goal-setting.
- Break down standardized test data to differentiate instruction for students, and develop appropriate interventions that will address their educational, personal, and social needs.
- Identify, analyze, and address through intervention academic, behavioral, social, and emotional barriers that may interfere with growth.

- Advocate for a school environment in which diversity is acknowledged and respected, resulting in positive interactions across all cultures, genders, ethnicities, and learning styles by implementing Capturing Kids Hearts.

- Adhere to, follow, and promote legal, ethical, and professional standards. Adhere to federal, state, district and campus legal standards, policies, regulations, and procedures.

Teacher, Pre-Kindergarten

Iraan Elementary, Iraan, TX

August 2012 to May 2013

-Monitor growth and development of students throughout childhood, noting environmental, social, and cultural factors that affect learner's development.

GED Chief Examiner Trainee

Iraan-Sheffield ISD, Iraan TX

December 2013 to May 2013

- Interpret standardized test results and other formal and informal assessment data to guide students in individual goal setting and planning in collaboration with school personnel.

School Counselor

Reagan County Elementary, Big Lake, TX

August 2010 to May 2012

-Implemented a Comprehensive School Guidance Program using research-based programs, to address students' educational, personal, career, and social development, having classes bimonthly for all students.

-Conducted small group counseling sessions for students identified as extremely At-Risk using the Why Try program.

- Provided individual and group guidance to assist students in developing and applying skills for maximum educational, career, and interpersonal relations.

-Provided Career Counseling through the Guidance Program throughout the year.

-Consulted with school staff, community members and parents regarding human development.

-Attended all ARD and CARE team meetings that addressed student needs regarding personal development and testing needs.

- Collaborated to refer students as needed for special programs or outside agencies for additional support.

Teacher, Kindergarten, First Grade

Reagan County Elementary, Big Lake, TX

August 2007 to May 2010

Teacher, Pre-Kindergarten

Kress Elementary, Kress, TX

August 2004 to May 2007

Teacher, Pre-Kindergarten

Edgemere Elementary, Plainview, TX

August 2002 to May 2004

Teacher, First Grade

Rocksprings Elementary, Rocksprings, TX

August 2001 to May 2002

Texas Agrilife Extension Agent, Family & Consumer Sciences

Garza County, Post, TX

June 2000 to July 2001

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Association of Texas Professional Educators

Texas Outdoor Education Association

PRESENTATIONS

Workshop, “The Great Escape,” Texas Outdoor Education Association Conference, 2018

Training, “STAAR Administrators Training,” Reagan County Elementary, 2010-2012

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- Ruby Payne RTI Research Based Practices, 2019
- College, Career, and Military Readiness Conference, 2019
- Youth Mental Health First Aid, 2019
- Capturing Kids Hearts, 2018
- Growth Mindset, 2018
- Texas Outdoor Education Association Conference, yearly
- Elementary Math Argument, 2018
- Conference for the Advancement of Science Teaching, 2017
- Differentiation, 2017
- Numeracy and Strings, 2017
- Gifted and Talented Certification Training, 2017
- Student Learning Objectives, 2017
- Texas Computer Education Association Conference, 2016
- Engaging English Language Learners, 2016
- Math Journals, 2016
- STEM Expo, 2016
- Poverty Simulation, 2015
- Elementary Science Overview/Planning, 2013

AWARDS AND HONORS

Outstanding Senior, College of Human Sciences, 2000
Texas Tech University