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EDUCATION

Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership, East Stroudsburg University
Dissertation Defended: March 2020, Degree Conferral Date: May 2020

Principal Certification Program, Immaculata University, Immaculata, PA. December 2004

Masters of Education, DeSales University, Center Valley, PA. May 1997.
Thesis: *Enhancing Physics Achievement and Higher Level Thinking Skills Through the Integration of Technology* Advisor: Dr. Charlotte Rappe Zales.

Bachelor of Science, Secondary Education, Physics Option, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA, May 1992. Graduated from University Scholars Program

CERTIFICATIONS

Pennsylvania Superintendent Letter of Eligibility, 2019

Pennsylvania K-12 Principal, 2005

Physics Instructional Level II, 1992

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Principal, Spring Garden Elementary School, Bethlehem Area School District, Bethlehem, PA July 2009 – Present

Provides leadership in the areas of staff development, instructional skills, problem solving, team building, master scheduling, school/community relations, strategic planning, the development of the school vision and mission statements, and in providing a safe/orderly environment conducive to learning. Led Leader In Me Initiative and Lighthouse Team with Spring Garden being the first Lighthouse School in Pennsylvania.

Supervisor of Science, Bethlehem Area School District, Bethlehem, PA Jan 2005 – July 2009

Oversaw science curriculum and related areas for K-12, including articulation, both horizontal and vertical; Designed, developed and maintained curriculum in science K-12; Supervised teachers of science, K-12, including differentiated supervision, observed teachers and students at all; Evaluated learning materials for educational programs in K-12 science as well as supervising teachers in that process; provided or arranged for training/in-servicing for teachers of science; researched and communicated best practices in science (curriculum, instruction and assessment). Completed data analysis and reporting for various assessments and state grant programs.

Physics Teacher/Theatre Director, Liberty High School, Bethlehem, PA September 1992-January 2005

Taught Advanced Placement Physics and Academic Physics. Wrote curriculum, rubrics, testing materials, and designed multimedia presentations and tutorials for Physics and Physical Science. Rebuilt dormant Theatre program into a regionally respected company. Served on District Technology Committees. Advised classes and National Honor Society.

Facilitator, Franklin Covey, 2014 to 2016

Facilitator for Leader In Me Process, trained to facilitate implementation of 7 Habits of Highly Effective People principles at elementary and middle school levels.

Adjunct Instructor, Lehigh University, 2012 to Present

Taught *Science in Elementary Education*, *Science in Secondary Education*, and *Instructional Design for K-12 Classrooms* courses

Adjunct Graduate Instructor, Moravian College, 2010-Present

Taught *Science in the Elementary School* and *Mathematics in the Elementary School* Methods courses

Adjunct Graduate Instructor, Wilkes University, September 1996-August 2014

Taught *Using Assessment to Guide Instruction*, *Integrating Technology in the Curriculum*; *Cognition and Technology*; and *Utilizing Emerging Technologies to Improve Learning*. Developed curriculum for and taught *Digitizing and Manipulating Images* elective, *Multimedia Application of Digital Video* elective and *iLife for Educators* elective.

Workshop Leader, Math and Science Partnership of Greater Philadelphia, 2005-2008

Facilitated National Science Foundation sponsored workshops for science teachers including Introduction to Inquiry, Classroom Strategies for Inquiry and Formative Assessment for Inquiry.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development

Pennsylvania Association of Elementary and Secondary Principals

REFERENCES

Claire Hogan – Director, Special
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