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**Objective**

To provide each student a quality education where everyone is successful, is included, and is provided many opportunities to grow throughout the year. My classroom will include many engaging learning experiences that produce deeper levels of understanding and will utilize integrated curriculum to help connect the material to every learner.

**Education**

**Westminster College, Fulton MO B.A. Anticipated: December 2012**

Major: Education Minor: Psychology

* Certification: Elementary 1-6, Early Childhood Birth-3
* Certified DESE content substitute (expires 2/4/15)
* Certified CRLA Level I tutor

GPA: 4.00/4.00

* Churchill Scholarship, Hellenic Spirit Foundation Scholarship, Bright Flight, John and Louise Gordon Scholarship, Commerce Bank Scholarship
* Excellence in Education Award
* Dean’s Student Research & Presentation Award
* Who’s Who Among American College Students 2012

**Publications**

*Science Scope,* [*“Reflecting on Students’ Misconceptions about Light”*](http://learningcenter.nsta.org/product_detail.aspx?id=10.2505/4/ss12_035_06_64)February 2012

**Presentations**

*Undergraduate Scholars Forum* Westminster College April 19, 2012

**“Examining Book Choice of First Grade Students at Home and School”**

*ACEI Association of Childhood Education International* Washington D.C. March 28, 2012

 **“Opening Worlds Through a Letter Exchange”**

* Received ACEI Student Scholarship Award for $300 plus free registration
* Received Dean’s Presentation and Research Award for $500

*Faculty Brown Bag Luncheon* Westminster College March 7, 2012

**“Opening Worlds Through a Letter Exchange”**

*Missouri Academy of Sciences* Lincoln University April 15, 2011

**“Role of Identity in Sense of Belonging and Change of College Major”**

*Undergraduate Scholars Forum* Westminster College April 14, 2011

**“Role of Identity in Sense of Belonging and Change of College Major”**

**Professional Experience**

*Student Teaching,* **Jefferson City School District** August-November 2012

* Responsible for 21 2nd grade students for 12 weeks. Detailed daily lesson plans in an ELL classroom
* Experience with: Calkins Writing, Sitton Spelling, Investigations Math, Daily 5, and PBS.

*Practicum II Field Experience,* **Jefferson City School District** January-April 2012

* Worked with 21 1st students in an ELL classroom at Pioneer Trail School
* Planned guided reading lessons and running records, worked with Hitachi Board software

*Preschool Teacher/Sub,* **Trinity Lutheran Early Childhood Center** August-December 2011

* Supervised 12-15 2-5 year olds daily; used daycare-wide discipline
* Cooperatively organized group play time for the children
* Closed the center daily

*Discovery Room Teacher*, **Trinity Lutheran**, Jefferson City MO June-August 2011-2012

* Planned 10 weeks of summer camp, mainly science (K-4 grade)
* Adapted lesson plans quickly and effectively for each group
* Worked closely with other counselors to achieve the greatest outcome
* Used cooperative learning as well as stations to enhance every child’s science understanding
* Public relations activities: updated weekly newsletter, took photographs for public relation and educational purposes, alerted local news media (newspaper and TV) about events to get more community involvement

*Substitute Teaching,* **Fulton and Jefferson City Districts** March-May 2011

* Subbed for K- 5th, art, music, and counseling classes; more than 20 full days
* Assisted teachers in various grades with Rigby and Star testing, making copies, lunch, recess duties

*Practicum I Field Experience*, **Jefferson City School District** January-April 2010

* Worked with 14 students in a 2nd grade classroom at Immaculate Conception School

*Observation Experience*, **Fulton School District** August-October 2009

* Observations at Elementary, Middle, and High Schools in Fulton

*Summer Camp Counselor,* **Trinity Lutheran**, Jefferson City, MO June-August 2009, 2010

* Planned activities, crafts, and games for students who had just completed 1st grade and kindergarten

**Professional Development**

* Teachers Applying Whole Language (TAWL) presentations about award-winning books
* VIRTUS Training through Jefferson City Diocese completed March 7, 2011
* National Council of Teaching Mathematics member (2011)
	+ Regional Conference in St. Louis on October 26, 2011
* Association of Childhood Education International member (ACEI)
* National Science Teachers Association member
* Experience with SmartBoard software, Microsoft Excel, Word, Powerpoint and Publisher

**Campus Leadership**

**Education Association** 2009-Present

* *Vice-President* (2011-2012): Organized events, ran meetings, scheduled speakers
	+ *Historian* (2010-2011): Took pictures at events for campus publications

 **Kappa Alpha Theta, National Social Sorority** 2009-Present

* + *Assistant Membership Chair* (2009-2010): Helped with recruitment activities
	+ *Alumni Relations Chair* (2010-2011): Planned Alumni weekend events, kept alumni updated on chapter events

**Westminster Catholic Student Group** 2011-Present

* + *President*: Organized events, met with campus individuals, scheduled speakers, ran weekly meetings

**Kappa Delta Pi- Education Honor Society** 2011-Present

* + *Vice President*: Organized events, helped with initiation of new members, innovative ideas for meetings

**Activities**

**Omicron Delta Kappa Member** 2012

**Blue Jay Buddies Tutor** 2011-Present

**Alpha Chi Honor Society member** 2010- Present

**Teacher Education Advisory Committee Member** (Student Representative) 2011-2012

**Friends for Fun volunteer** 2010-2011

**Tutor for U.S. History since the Civil War** Fall 2010