

Sarah Davidson

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Qualifications Summary

- Three years teaching experience including two years in the Teach For America program
- Experience working with children and families from diverse populations and cultures
- Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to work within a collaborative environment

Education & Licensure

Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ
Masters of Education, Human Relations

Anticipated Graduation: May 2014

University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, CO
Bachelor of Arts, Interdisciplinary Studies, Emphasis: Liberal Arts
Teaching Emphasis: Early Childhood Education
3.88 GPA, Magna Cum Laude

May 2010

Early Childhood Education Birth-3, Colorado Initial Teacher License

PRAXIS Exam, passed

May 2010

PLACE Exam, passed

June 2009

Professional Experience

Teacher, Head Start

July 2010-Present

Maricopa County Human Services, Mesa, AZ

- Develop and implement developmentally appropriate instruction using *Creative Curriculum*
- Record observations and individualizations with running records, work samples, and photographs
- Assess students' academic progress using *Teaching Strategies Gold*
- Individualize and Implement learning goal folders for kindergarten readiness
- Collaborate with Site Supervisor, Teacher Assistant, and Maricopa County staff to better meet the needs of the children and families served
- Conduct home visits and parent-teacher conferences to partner with families in preparing their child for learning success

Corps Member

May 2010-May 2012

Teach For America, Phoenix, AZ

- Developed and implemented classroom vision and goals using backward planning
- Collaborated with the Manager of Teacher Leadership Development to target objectives and progress toward classroom goals
- Attended professional development trainings focusing on the achievement gap and teacher development
- Participated in the Sponsor a Teacher Campaign sharing students' academic achievements with the community donors
- Mentored and advised first year corps members as an a Corps Culture Leader

Student Teaching, Grades 1 and 2

Spring 2010

The da Vinci Academy, Colorado Springs, CO

- Developed and implemented science thematic unit on lifecycles
- Planned and taught standards-based lessons in literacy, mathematics, science, and social studies
- Evaluated students learning with informal and formal assessments
- Collaborated with cooperating teacher and 1st and 2nd grade teams

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Student Teaching Practicum, Grade 1

Fall 2009

Meeker Elementary School, Greeley, CO

- Observed cooperating teacher plan, assess, and implement instruction
- Assisted with parent-teacher conferences discussing student's growth and learning
- Tutored students one-on-one to help with literacy and mathematics assignments

Teacher Assistant, Grades Pre-K and K

Spring 2008

Early Childhood University, Greeley, CO

- Assisted lead teacher in planning and implementing instruction for circle and small groups
- Prepared classroom environment for developmentally appropriate learning experiences
- Facilitated read-alouds for small group and independent reading time

Professional Development

Maricopa County Head Start, Mesa, AZ

July 2010-Present

- Professional Development Trainings, over 150 hours

I Can Do It! Workshop

Spring 2009

Educating Difficult Students Workshop

Spring 2009

Project WILD Workshop

Fall 2009

Early Childhood University, Greeley, CO

Spring 2008

- Observed in the four-year-old classroom, 60 hours

Skyview Elementary School, Windsor, CO

Fall 2008

- Observed in kindergarten classroom, 20 hours

Monfort Early Childhood Education Center, Greeley, CO

2008-2009

- Observed in birth-preschool classrooms, 55 hours

Aims Community College, Greeley, CO

2007-2009

- Coursework in Early Childhood Education

Volunteer Experience

Rock and Roll Paintathon: Painted a mobile home for an elderly couple, Fall 2012

New Orleans, Participated in Hurricane Katrina clean up, Summer 2006

Ukraine, Peru, and Mexico, Involved in construction work and provided activities for children at orphanages, Summer 2003-2005