### **Betsy Harrison**

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#### **OBJECTIVE**

Elementary teaching position utilizing experience as a student teacher, teacher's aide, and camp counselor

### **EDUCATION & LICENSURE**

B.A., Elementary Education, National Louis University, Chicago, IL
A.A., Early Childhood Education, St Augustine College, Chicago, IL
2010

**Licensure:** IL Professional Educator License

Endorsements: Elementary Education (K-9), Middle School

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

# Oakton Elementary School, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, District 65, Evanston, IL Student Teacher

Spring 2014

- Developed and taught thematic units on insects and "where our food comes from" for whole class
- Taught units on muscles in the human body and Benjamin Franklin to small groups of 4<sup>th</sup> graders
- Designed bulletin board on the Eight Wonders of the World to accompany teacher's unit on history and architecture

# Washington Elementary School, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade, District 65, Evanston, IL Practicum II

Winter 2013

- Collaborated with teacher to present unit on famous works of art and helped children reproduce paintings like *Mona Lisa*, Botticelli's *Venus*, and Vermeer's *Girl With the Pearl Earring*
- Explained math and social studies concepts to an ELL student while also using Spanish skills to translate and help the student complete in-class and homework assignments

# Dawes Elementary School, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade District 65, Evanston, IL Practicum I

Fall 2013

- Observed class and assisted teacher with classroom management of 20 students resulting in cooperating teacher recognizing my intuition and ability to quickly build rapport with students
- Answered questions during learning station sessions for problem solving and creative thinking
- Led one-on-one spelling games for children to prepare them for weekly spelling test

## **Child Care Center of Evanston**, Evanston, IL **Teacher's Aide**

2010-2012

- Encouraged cognitive development of 15 toddlers through exploration of weather, farm animals and "where my family works" modules
- Communicated with parents to provide an emotionally secure and physically safe atmosphere in a home away from home environment where children can learn and grow
- Created thoughtful and interactive classroom set up that included the ocean and student artwork

### Camp Echo, Grades 3-8, Evanston, IL

Summers, 2008-2010

### Camp Counselor

- Developed lesson plans encouraging hands-on creativity and social skills
- Planned classes and events with peers to ensure there was always a 7:1 student-counselor ratio and that the day was learning-focused in an outdoor setting when possible
- Co-supervised swimming pool during daily open swim hours