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#### Objective

To obtain an elementary level teaching position which allows me to foster ongoing growth in my students and myself through collaboration and partnerships with staff and families

#### Education

**Loras College**, Dubuque, IA

*Senior working toward a BA in Elementary Education with early childhood, special education, and reading endorsements (May 2014)*

GPA: Overall 3.94/ 4.0scale

Dean’s List (7 semesters)

Honor’s Program student

**Boylan Catholic High School**, Rockford, IL

*Diploma (2010)*

National Honors Society

Cross Country and Volleyball

#### Clinical and Student Teaching Experiences

#### **Fifth Grade Clinical Teacher,** St. Columbkille Elementary School, Dubuque, IA

#### August 2013-November 2013

#### **Early Childhood Special Education Student Teacher,** Keystone Early Access, Dubuque, IA

#### January 2014-March 2014

#### **Third Grade Student Teacher,** Kennedy Elementary School, Dubuque, IA

#### March 2014– May 2014

#### Positions Held

**Playground Director,** Dubuque Leisure Services, Dubuque, IA

*May 2013-*

In collaboration with other directors and playground staff, plan and facilitate activities for children with disabilities to participate in for an 8 week summer program.

**Resident Advisor**, Loras College, Dubuque, IA

*February 2012-*

Organize and run programs for residents, handle conduct concerns within the hall, work with other resident advisors to handle administrative tasks associated with maintaining a living and learning environment.

**Therapeutic Recreation Assistant**, Rockford Park District, Rockford, IL

*March 2012- August 2012*

Work one-on-one with a child with a disability to help adapt camp activities to make them more inclusive for my participant. Additionally, I made weekly goals for my participant. The progress on these goals was recorded and discussed with the parents daily, and other situations were documented as needed.

**Swim Lesson Instructor**, Rockford Park District, Rockford, IL

*June- August 2010, June-August 2011*

Instructed students in fundamental swimming skills, met with parents before and after lessons to discuss progress, and led water safety lessons each session

#### Volunteer Experience

**Morton Mississippi Service Trip Participant**

*January 2012*

Through the Excel Center in Morton, Mississippi, worked with member of the community to

assist in elementary school classrooms, tutor high school and middle school students, help with

activities in an area nursing home, and other community projects as needed.

**Vanceburg, Kentucky Service Trip Student Coordinator**

*March 2013*

Through Glenmary Farm in Vanceburg, Kentucky, lived in simplicity while helping with

construction projects in the community as well as at a food pantry, visiting with clients at an

community center for adults with mental disabilities, and various other activities.

**First Annual Marshall Literacy Day Student Coordinator**

*March of 2013*

With the support of the executive board of Loras Students for Inclusive Experiences and staff at

Marshall Elementary School, found volunteers to read to classes, helped volunteers to select

grade appropriate books and activities, communicated grade assignments and plans to volunteers

and teachers, and other planning activities leading up to and during the event.

**St. Mark’s Program Tutor**

*Fall 2011*

Through the St. Mark’s Program, assisted with after school program snacks, homework help, and

other activities with students at Lincoln Elementary school in Dubuque, IA.

#### Presentations and Research

“Challenging Behaviors in the Preschool Setting: Identification and Tier I Interventions through Positive Behavior Interventions and Support,” Loras College Dubuque, Iowa, November 2013

“Birth to Age 3: Embedding Early Numeracy Experiences in Natural Home Routines,” Early

Care and Education Fall Institute in Altoona, Iowa, September 2013.

“Birth to Age 3: Embedding Science Experiences in Natural Home Routines,” Early Care and

Education Fall Institute in Altoona, Iowa, September 2013.