

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Bilingual (Spanish) educational leader with over 20 years of experience. Qualified teacher and principal evaluator. Known for clear and consistent communication. Skilled in data analysis and data discussions to drive instruction. Passionate about teacher leadership and continued professional learning. Advocate for all students.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

2023 – present

Will County ROE #56

Education-Innovation-Service
Center

- Establish and build relationships with district representatives, PD consultants, and Area 1 PD Directors
- Communicate with district leaders via weekly newsletter, LinkedIn postings, email, phone, and other methods
- Facilitate Will County Professional Development Leaders Network
- Develop collaborative training model to build capacity in districts
- Conduct PD needs assessment for Will County Districts
- Research and adopt online registration system
- Create EISC logo and branded workflow and marketing documents
- Interview, hire, and evaluate staff

BUILDING ADMINISTRATOR

2018 – 2023

East Aurora District 131

O.C. Allen Elementary – Principal
C.I. Johnson Elementary –
Assistant Principal
C.F. Simmons Middle School –
Assistant Principal

- Led school from underperforming to commendable status
- Collaborate with leadership teams to implement and monitor school improvement plan
- Promote a culture of high expectations for students and staff
- Lead data analysis and discussions to drive instruction
- Create staff handbook of procedures and expectations
- Manage school budget, including timesheets and payroll
- Oversee building operations and safety
- Observe and evaluate administrative, certified, office and support staff
- Monitor grade-level PLC data discussions and provide guidance
- Build relationships to create a positive school culture
- Manage student discipline and parent contacts
- Coordinate state and local assessments

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

2014 – 2018

East Aurora District 131

District Office

- Align professional learning opportunities with Learning Forward standards, ISBE criteria, district needs assessment, and District Improvement Plan
- Co-plan district-wide School Improvement and Institute Days
- Author District Professional Learning Guidebooks for presenters and staff
- Maintain accurate financial records for Title and district accounts for professional learning
- Restructure and lead Mentoring and Induction Program for new educators
- Leader: Professional Development Advisory Team
- Member: Kane County Teacher Leadership Collaborative
- Learning Forward Academy Graduate (2017)
- ISBE New Teacher Mentoring Grant Recipient (2016, 2017)

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FACILITATION

BOOK STUDIES

2018 – 2023

- Better Learning Through Structured Teaching (Fisher & Frey)
- Exploring Formative Assessment (Brookhart)
- Protocols for Professional Learning (Brown-Easton)
- Boosting Executive Skills in the Classroom (Cooper-Kahn & Foster)
- The PLC Book (Fitchman Dana & Yendol-Hoppey)

ONLINE LEARNING

2017 – 2018

- Standards-Based Practices 5K for K-5: Read and Reflect
- TED Talks to Get You Thinking: View and Reflect
- Cultivating a Growth Mindset Micro-Credential (BloomBoard Pilot)
- Twitter Book Chat: The Differentiated Classroom (Tomlinson)

PRESENTATIONS

2005 – present

- Teacher Leadership (2024)
- New Educator Orientation (2015-2018)
- Mentor Training (2015-2018)
- New Educator Summer Series (2017)
- INTC Presentation: Making the Time and Making it Worthwhile (2017)
- Technology in the Classroom (2005-2013)
- Understanding by Design (2005-2013)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

TEACHER LEADER

2005 – 2014

Hinsdale Township HS District 86
Hinsdale Central High School

- Technology and Instruction Coordinator (2011-2014)
- Co-Chair, Technology Leadership Team (2011-2014)
- Administrative Intern (2011-2012)
- PLC Team Leader (2005-2012)

TEACHER

2003 – 2014

Hinsdale Township HS District 86
Hinsdale Central High School
World Languages Teacher

- Plan and deliver daily lessons for various levels of Spanish and French classes
- Utilize formative assessment to differentiate instruction
- Align World Language curriculum to Common Core to support core curricular areas' learning standards

EDUCATION

2017 – Ed.D.

Northern Illinois University

- Curriculum and Instruction
 - General Administrative Certificate
- Dissertation:** *From technology teacher to technology integration specialist: preparing for a paradigm shift*

2003 – M.A.

Illinois State University

- Trans-Atlantic Studies
- Professional Educator License
- Graduate Study Abroad: Universidad Complutense, Madrid, Spain

1999 – B.A.

Illinois State University

- Foreign Languages: Spanish and French
- Study Abroad: Universidad Complutense, Madrid, Spain