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# EDUCATION

State University of New York at New Paltz | New Paltz, NY

**Bachelor of Science Elementary Education & Early Childhood Education** May 2023

Honors: Dean’s List Fall 2020

# CERTIFICATION

**New York State Initial Certification in Early Childhood Ed (B-2) & Childhood Ed (1-6)**  Aug 2023

# RELATED EXPERIENCE

**Substitute Teacher** | *Pine Bush School District* (Pre-K- 5th Grade) Feb. 2024-Current

* Facilitate substitute lesson plans and routines to ensure continuity in learning objectives and outcomes.
* Foster a positive and inclusive classroom environment where each child feels safe, loved, and supported.
* Differentiate instructional materials and strategies to meet the diverse needs of all students.

**Student Teacher** | *Berea Elementary* (5th Grade) and *Pine Bush Elementary* (1st Grade) Jan. 2022-May 2022

* Wrote and facilitated 33 lesson plans aligned with Next Generation Standards and district curriculums with an emphasis on differentiated instruction, collaborative learning, and culturally responsive practices.
* Led daily guided-reading groups in 1st grade for a diverse group of scholars (F&P Levels A-M).
* Kept detailed records of observations, assessments, and work samples, using data to inform instruction.
* Started a weekly mindfulness meditation club that helped 11 fifth-grade students cope with math anxiety.
* Hosted parent-teacher conferences and family volunteers, supervised field trips, and wrote a weekly newsletter.

 **Multi-site Program Director** |*YMCA Middletown, NY* Sept 2023 - Current

* Hire and manage a team of 2 Site Supervisors, and 10 staff.
* Create positive relationships with parents, school administration, staff, volunteers, and regulators.
* Conduct site inspections, staff training, and maintain meticulous records to ensure programs comply with NYS Childcare Regulations and best practices.

**Unit Director / Outdoor Educator** | *Camp Robbins, Walden, NY* May 2021 – Aug 2023 (Seasonal)

* Trained and supervised a team of 12 camp counselors and provided mentorship in behavior management.
* Designed and implemented an exciting, and hands-on outdoor education program for campers ages 5-9.
* Coached children to safely navigate ropes course elements (climbing tower, zipline, low ropes and cables, lawn games) while modeling and encouraging confidence, teamwork, resilience, and problem-solving.

**Site Director** | *YMCA Middletown, NY* Sept 2022 – June 2023

* Distinguished with a YMCA staff quality award in April 2023 for providing an exceptional afterschool program.
* Created an engaging enrichment curriculum that incorporated literacy, numeracy, STEAM, 5 SEL core competencies, YMCA core values, and physical fitness.

**Site Supervisor** | *YMCA Middletown, NY* Sept 2021 – May 2022

* Resolved conflicts in a fair, constructive, and restorative manner using Responsive Classroom techniques.

# SKILLS

Leadership, Communication, Organization, SEL, Mindfulness for Educators, CPR/First Aid and RTE certified, Writer’s Workshop, Fundations, IT, Ed-Tech, Smartboards/Promethean, BenQ, Google Suite, Microsoft, Adobe, Geogebra, Desmos