

Chris Kotila -

Educator and life long learner!

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CERTIFICATION:

Highly Qualified in Middle School Mathematics and Science
American Montessori Society Certified

EDUCATION:

Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona 2008 - 2009
Master of Elementary Education (SEI Endorsed)

Center for Montessori Training, Whiteplains, NY 2008 - 2009
American Montessori Society Certified

Principia College, Elsah, Illinois 2001 -2005
Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications (Graphic Design Track) & Minor in Studio Art

EXPERIENCE:

Mission Montessori Academy, Scottsdale, Arizona

Lead Teacher; 2008 – Present

- Team taught all subjects to 4th thru 6th grade
- Liaison between SPED and Elementary 2 teachers
- Helped develop modified instruction based on IEP requirements
- Implements sensorial and Montessori activities in small group instruction
- Tracked student progress over course of the year
- Planned and led field trips including 5th grade four day trip to Catalina Island Marine Institute in California.

Mathematics:

- Attended Common Core Trained for K thru 8 - Phase 1 and High School
- Analyzed student performance on benchmark exams and implemented direct instruction based on analysis
- Supported colleagues in implementation of grade appropriate lessons.
- Tutored 6th grade students with interactive lessons to raise test scores
- 5th Grade: 88% passing rate on AIMS with a mean scale score of +24 above state average (2012)
- 6th Grade: 78% passing rate on AIMS with a mean scale score of +33 above state average (2012)

Science:

- Developed and established science curriculum based on state standards for Kindergarten thru 6th grade while maintaining the Montessori philosophy of education
 - Designed materials for 4th thru 6th grade
 - Orchestrated Inquiry based lesson plans and classroom activities using differentiated instruction
 - Implemented cooperative learning through use of the Google Platform.
 - Integrated interdisciplinary learning through reports, assignments and projects
 - 100% passing rate of AIMS with a mean scale score +31 above state average (2012)
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Faculty Facilitator; 2013 - Present

- Attended in leadership trainings:
 - Disney Institute - Disney's Approach to Leadership Excellence in Anaheim, California
 - National Charter Board Annual Meeting as representative for school in Washington, D.C.
- Performed administrative tasks for Elementary 2 Campus (4th thru 6th Grade)
- Supported teachers with records and clerical work
- Responsible for day to day operations and implementation of strategic planning
- Contributed to school

Teaching Assistant; 2007 - 2008

- Assisted teachers with lesson plans and classroom activities
- Created activities that sparked student interests in science to engage and motivate students
- Discussed students' learning improvement and behavior in class with parents during the parent-teacher conference

Planet Kids Bellevue, Bellevue, Washington

Floating teacher and administrative assistant 2006 - 2007

- Managed schedules for staff members
- Assisted teachers with lesson plans and classroom activities
- Worked alongside the program director in day to day operations
- Implemented sensory and Montessori activities

Independent Contractor, Scottsdale, Arizona

Web designer 2006 - present

- Worked alongside Head Designer in workings of web design
- Organized and managed existing web sites
- Updated content and design of existing web sites
- Responsible for final layout of new client web sites and content
- Responsible for development of templates and art

REFERENCES:

Patricia Sandler Elementary 2 Co Teacher Mission Montessori Academy	(702)236-0904
Susan Zumallen SPED - Speech OT Mission Montessori Academy	(602)510-8811
Kathy Hamlett Owner Mad Science of Northeast Phoenix	(480)222-2233

SKILLS:

Windows and Mac Platforms: Dreamweaver, InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop, Microsoft Word, Excel, Power Point, Prezii, Google App Platform.