

KELLY FITZGERALD

Contact Information

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Special Skills

- Restorative Justive Training
- Zoom Training
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion training
- Project-based instruction
- Differentiated Instruction

Teaching Philosophy

The world is constantly changing and we are always adapting with every experience. Throughout a person's lifetime they are constant learning and adapting to the changes in the world and our teaching strategies need to accommodate these needs. My pedagogical beliefs are focused on experience based learning and creating meaning to the concepts that are being taught.



Relevant Experience

Student Teaching January 20, 2022- March 11, 2022

First Grade

Supervisor: Christine Norton (cnorton@sbu.edu)

Bradford Central School District (Bradford, PA)

- Collaborated with co-workers to develop lesson plans
- Individualized lessons according to students' interests, strengths, and needs
- Guided and encouraged students through lessons in whole group, small groups or 1:1 setting
- Distributed a weekly newsletter that communicated with families

Student Teaching March 14, 2022- May 12, 2022

Special Education 6th Grade

Cooperating Teacher: Sherry Childs

(schild@sbolivarrichburg.org)

Bolivar-Richburg Elementary (Bolivar, New York)

- Collaborate with co-workers to develop differentiated lesson plans and supports
- Provide math support to Special Education students
 - I read math problems provided to students
 - I provide engaging practice material
 - I pre-teach/ introduce new concepts to students
- Engage students in pre-planned lessons by the general education teacher

Field Block 2 September 23- December 9, 2021

4th and 5th Grade Math, Science, & English/ Literacy

Cooperating Teacher: Bridgett Phillips-Moore (bphillips-moore@salamancany.org)

Salamanca Central School (Salamanca, NY)

- Developed lesson plans based on mathematics standards
- Created and conducted engaging lessons based on BOCES module in connection with aquatics systems
- Developed a learning segment taught over 3 weeks based on sequencing and literacy skills

Field Block 1 February 17- May 7, 2021

Kindergarten

Cuba-Rushford Elementary School (Cuba, NY)

Cooperating Teacher: Melissa Grover (mgrover@mycrs.org)

- Collaborated with general education teacher and classroom aid
 - The students were split into two different classrooms due to covid and the teacher was only with each group for half of the day. I was assigned to one classroom and worked with these students all day.
- Taught phonics instruction in small groups based on ability
- Created and taught review sessions with the classroom aid

Education

Saint Bonaventure University, St. Bonaventure, NY • Anticipated May 2022

Bachelor of Science, Education: Childhood (1-6 Grade), Early Childhood (Birth-2), Special Education

GPA: 3.786 “Dean’s List”

St. Bonaventure University Provost Scholarship

Archbishop Walsh High School, Olean, NY 14760 – June 2018

Regents Diploma

National Honor Society

Employment

Mentor Resident Assistant (RA), Saint Bonaventure University; Olean, NY –Fall 2020-Current

- Responsible for being a role model to other RA’s and assistance in their issues in relation to the job or their own life
- Attend/ run monthly meetings with the Residential Life Department to have an open discussion about position related concerns

Resident Assistant (RA), Saint Bonaventure University; Olean, NY –Fall 2019-Current

- Facilitate a safe community in the residence halls
- Participate in scheduled duty rotation enforcing campus policy and procedures
- Develop and maintain awareness of community and student issues in the residence halls through communication with area residence life staff

Farm Assistant, Barry’s Berries; New Kent, VA – Summers 2010 - 2019

- Tended to the farm/land work
- Ran the jam stand at farmers market every weekend
- Cooked jam
- Tended to the customers at the market and at the farm

Janitor, Archbishop Walsh School; Olean, NY – Summer 2018

- Cleaned the building
- Moved furniture
- Organized classrooms
- Cleared out basement/ garage

Substitute Teacher, Archbishop Walsh School; Olean, NY – June 2018

- Followed pre-created lesson plans
- Collaborated with classroom aid

Activities/ Volunteer Work

Bona Responds Volunteer - Fall 2018-Current

- Currently have volunteered over 2,000 hours
- Currently went on 4 natural disaster relief trips
- Currently have helped build dozens of wheelchair ramps

Ultimate Frisbee Club Leader-Spring 2018- Spring 2021

- Started the club on campus
- Organize meetings and practices

Irish Dancing Allegany, NY -Fall 2003- Spring 2018

- Attended weekly practices
- Performed in front of others at festivals, nursing homes, schools, other events