

Erin D. Boltik

EDUCATION

Education Specialist Degree: University of St. Thomas, December 2009

Educational Administration: University of St. Thomas, December 2009

Master of Arts: University of St. Thomas, December 1999

Curriculum and Instruction with emphasis on Gifted Education

Bachelor of Arts: Luther College, May 1987

Major: Elementary Education with emphasis on Social Sciences

Minor: Psychology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Bloomington Public Schools, Bloomington, MN

Director of Gifted and Talented Programs and Services 2012 - Present

Independent School District 199, Inver Grove Heights, MN

Able Learner (Gifted) Program Coordinator: Full Time, K-12, 1998 – 2012

Coordination and management of K-12 gifted and talented services district-wide:

- Through strategic planning, designed and created a full time gifted magnet
- Coordinated numerous academic teams across the district including Odyssey of the Mind, Destination Imagination, Continental Math League, Math Masters of Minnesota, Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl, News Bowl, Word Masters and Spelling Bees.
- Designed and implemented an after-school elementary enrichment program that used Gardner's Multiple Intelligence Theory and focused on diversity acceptance
- Trained and collaborated with numerous volunteer groups to deliver various enrichment services to gifted populations
- Authored curriculum for a course that would allow advanced middle school students to receive credit for a high school MN Graduation Standard
- Successfully authored a grant proposal that supported the addition of a middle school enrichment course
- Implemented a parent dialogue series that focused on affective issues of gifted children
- Trained staff on a variety of learning theories and the steps of effective curriculum differentiation
- Handled budget for all Gifted Education accounts
- Served on committees that helped implement graduation standards; offered staff development options; and directed curriculum, instruction, and assessment pieces district-wide

University of Wisconsin, River Falls, WI

Adjunct professor, 2007 spring semester

Instructed Psychology course, The Gifted Child, to both undergraduate and graduate students.

Normandale French Immersion Elementary School, Edina, MN

Resource Teacher for Gifted and Talented: Part Time, K - 5, August 1996 - June 1997

- Helped design a new program of services for the gifted and talented youth
- Facilitated procedures for an all-school identification of gifted and talented students

- Designed curriculum based on Renzulli's school-wide enrichment model
- Educated staff on various models for curriculum differentiation
- Implemented a parent dialogue series that focused on affective issues of gifted children
- Coached several academic teams for Math Olympiad and Odyssey of the Mind competitions

The Kindergarten Center, Eden Prairie, MN

Resource Teacher for Gifted and Talented: Part Time, Kindergarten, April 1996 - June 1996

- Designed curriculum and provided services to meet the needs of identified gifted kindergarten students

Pine Bend Elementary, Inver Grove Heights, MN

Primary Teacher: Full Time, First Grade, August 1991 - June 1995

- Utilized curriculum differentiation to meet the needs of clustered Able Learner Program students in my classroom
- Created and instructed several after-school enrichment classes
- Designed rigorous curriculum and implemented a summer academy for gifted youth
- Coached several Odyssey of the Mind teams and reached world competition level
- Helped to develop S.A.L.T. (Students and Adults Learning Together) Day involving students, staff, parents, and community members in fun learning experiences
- Participated as a member of the M.E.E.P. (Minnesota Education Effectiveness Process) team

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

- Presented at state and national gifted conventions
- Published original ideas in Learning magazine
- Worked through the Edina Community Center as an instructor and coordinator of their Odyssey of the Mind Program
- Designed creative problem solving curriculum and taught summer classes through the Community Education Department in Edina
- Served as President of Theatre Ministry Board at Lake Harriet United Methodist Church
- Serving as Vice President on the Metro MEGT (Minnesota Educators of Gifted and Talented) board