

# Amber N. Miller

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### CAREER OBJECTIVE:

To obtain an elementary teaching position which enables me to celebrate diversity, encourage growth, and produce a community which allows my students to create change.

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### CERTIFICATION:

K-5 all subjects

6-8 Language Arts

Adult, Child and Infant CPR, First Aid, Automated External Defibrillation

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### EDUCATION:

2009-Present **Michigan State University – East Lansing, MI**

*Masters of Art in Education*

- Teaching Concentration in Literacy
- Overall GPA: 3.86

2005-2009 **Michigan State University – East Lansing, MI**

*Bachelor of Art in Education*

- Teaching concentration in Language Arts
  - Overall GPA: 3.48
  - Dean's List: 6 semesters
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### TEACHING EXPERIENCES:

2010-2011 **Urbandale Elementary School - Battle Creek, MI**

*2nd Grade Teacher*

- Planned, and implemented curriculum in all subject matters within an urban school district.
- Implemented positive behavior support (PBS) at all tiers within the classroom setting.
- Collaboratively planned and wrote goals for an elementary STEM proposal.
- Participated in writing goals and accommodations for Individual Educational Plans.
- Lead student conferences to update guardians of academic and behavioral performance.
- Collaborated with peers to create a learning environment which met the diverse needs of students from various ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds.

2009-2010 **Hiawatha Elementary School – Okemos, MI**

*Michigan State University year Long Internship -3<sup>rd</sup> Grade*

- Planned, and implemented curriculum in all subject matters.
- Integrated technology into the classroom.
- Differentiated instruction for gifted students.
- Organized and lead monthly book club luncheons.
- Participated in Individual Educational Plans and helped perform administrative duties

- 2006-2009 **Freedom Schools – Battle Creek, MI**  
*Servant Leader Intern (Lead Teacher) – Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade*
- Completed six successful weeks per summer of training and teaching disadvantaged children in the Battle Creek Area.
  - Implemented and integrated a reading curriculum, and planned activities to increase childrens’ passion and enthusiasm to read.
  - Facilitated a social action day where students rallied for their personal beliefs and values.
- 2008-2009 **Dimondale Elementary – Dimondale, MI**  
*Michigan State University Senior Field Placement -2<sup>nd</sup> Grade*
- Observed and taught lessons in a second grade classroom.
  - Graded papers, and assisted on field trips.
- 2007-2008 **Pleasant view Magnet School – Lansing, MI**  
*Michigan State University Junior Field Placement – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade*
- Observed and taught lessons in a fifth grade classroom.
  - Implemented pre-assessments, post assessments, and gathered data on focus students.
- 2007 **Shabazz Academy – Lansing, MI**  
*Michigan State University Service Learning Placement – Kindergarten*
- Incorporated creative dramatics into classroom lessons and activities through puppetry and rhythm.
  - Observed and assisted in learning centers, and small group activities.

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**RELATED EXPERIENCES:**

- 2008-2010 **Michigan State University – East Lansing, MI**  
*Community Coordinator/Residence Life*
- Worked in an international/graduate student based hall. Resolved conflicts, promoted multicultural awareness, and enhanced personal well being.
  - Assessed the needs of a learning/living community of 250 students and planned programs for residents to enhance their social, emotional, and academic interaction.
- 2003-2005 **Berean Seventh-Day Adventist Church – Battle Creek, MI**  
*Youth Leader*
- Assessed the needs of 10-15 children from K-12<sup>th</sup> grade and organized programs centered on their social, academic, and spiritual development.
  - Supervised children, created lessons, and implemented enrichment activities.

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**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- 2009-2010 **Okemos Public Schools – Okemos, MI**

*Social Committee Member*

- Helped plan Bosses' day, Secretary's day, and holiday celebrations.
- Organized gifts for administrators in the building.

2009-2010 **National Council of Teachers of Mathematics**

*Student Member*

- Used online resources to formulate lesson plans and compare NCTM standards and process goals to Michigan standards.

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**TECHNICAL PROFICIENCIES:**

Proficient in:

- Smartboard Interactive Whiteboard
- Digital Visual Presenters
- Document Cameras
- Microsoft Office Suite 2007

**REFERENCES:**

**Karen Linz**

**Collaborating Teacher – Hiawatha Elementary School**

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