

Martine Balderston

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Objective: To secure a teacher position on the TTOC list for Elementary and Secondary schools in School District 68

Highlights (reflection of school values and job requirements)

- Passionate about meeting student's unique needs
- Thorough understanding of RTI
- Educated on assessment research that promotes inquiry based learning, collaboration, formative assessment, self-assessment and summative assessment
- Completed over 300 hours of practicum experience

Management Skills

- Created authentic lesson plans that increased class engagement while establishing learning objectives
- Demonstrated effective discipline skills to promote positive behaviours
- Designed developmental appropriate lesson plans that incorporate IRP's
- Organized and filed student records at Port Moody Secondary School
- Coached a junior wrestling team
- Facilitated, budgeted and implemented a Wheelchair Tennis Festival for four years

Communication and Interpersonal Skills

- Supervised and taught special education students
- Used a variety of technology to instruct (elmo, ipad, iphone, laptop computer)
- Assigned tasks to Education Assistants and collaborated with other instructors
- Welcomed specialists into the classroom to assess students and observed assessment methods
- Motivated students to learn in a public school setting as a SEA
- Conducted many presentations while at university
- Sent regular weekly newsletters to parents

Knowledge of the Curriculum and Standards

- Completed extensive research at SFU and VIU
- Completed inquiry projects on: RTI, school gardens, mindfulness curriculum
- Practiced MindUp curriculum to promote self-regulation
- Created an ePortfolio that showed examples of how I meet TRB standard
- Familiar with Debbie Diller classroom management strategies

Education & Training

Bachelor of Education Vancouver Island University Nanaimo, BC	2013
Bachelor of Arts Kinesiology Minor, History Major Simon Fraser University Burnaby, BC	2007
Sports Science Diploma, Associate Arts Degree Douglas College New Westminster, BC	2005
Ground Search and Rescue Course Justice Institute Invermere, BC	2009
Emergency First Aid for Industry Saint John Ambulance	Expires Jan. 12, 2016

Teaching Experience

Practicum Teacher - kindergarten/grade 1 Arrowview Elementary School Qualicum, BC	2011
Practicum Teacher - kindergarten Cilaire Elementary School Nanaimo, BC	2013
Practicum Teacher -grade 3 Uplands Park School Nanaimo, BC	2013
Special Education Assistant (elementary/secondary) Rocky Mountain School District Columbia Valley, BC	2010

Work Experience

Matron City of Nanaimo, Nanaimo, BC	2013-Present
Poll Clerk & Revision Agent Elections Canada, Coquitlam and Nanaimo, BC	2005 & 2010
Respite Relief Foster Home Colwood, BC	2011
Server Strand's Old House Restaurant Invermere, BC	2006-2010
Server and Assistant Manager Oriental Palace Restaurant Invermere, BC	2005-2010

Activities and Hobbies

Volunteer member of Nanaimo Search and Rescue
Green Belt in Judo
Road biking, hiking and camping
Painting, visiting art galleries and museums
Traveling: South East Asia, Western Europe, Mexico, Peru, Coasta Rica, USA and extensively in BC

References (phone numbers by request)

Jane Aspen, grade 3 teacher at Upland Park Elementary School
Jane was my sponsor teacher for my final practicum in 2013

Elisa Orton, kindergarten teacher at Cilaire Elementary School
My sponsor in 2013

Lynn Hayley, VIU teacher supervisor and retired teacher