Alexandra M. Bermea

Experience Summary

- An innovative bilingual and ESL educator with 15 years of experience in ESL, pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, 2nd-5th grade.
- Highly collaborative Specialist working in various areas of planning, execution, and post implementation evaluation.
- Strong delivery of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics in Bilingual and ESL settings
- Develop Dual Language and ESL curriculums.
- Strong skills in developing culturally rich and relevant learning environments.
- Dual language advisory committee for Northside Independent School District.
- Northside Independent School District New Teacher Academy Presenter 2018-2021
- National Association of Bilingual Education Conferences 2009, 2012, & 2016
- San Antonio Area of Bilingual Education presenter 2018

Education

December 2009 University of Texas at San Antonio San Antonio, TX

M.A., Bilingual Bicultural Studies, emphasis in Teacher Education

May 2004 University of The Incarnate Word San Antonio, TX

B.A., Political Science with a concentration in Latin American Studies

Professional Experience

July 2022-Present

San Antonio Independent School District International Alliance Group Dual Language Instructional Specialist International Visiting Teacher Support Coach

San Antonio, TX

- Provide curriculum, instruction, and assessment support to district and campus staff using advanced teaching strategies to align learning goals initiatives in the Curriculum & Instruction Department.
- Design and developed curriculum resources for campus staff and Department of Curriculum & Instruction.
- Conduct training of district frameworks and curricular programs.
- Create assessments aligned with state standards.
- Support International Visitor Teachers with certification, clearance, and instructional support.

August 2017-Present Texas A&M University-San Antonio College of Education and Human Development Department of Educator and Leadership Preparation Adjunct Faculty

San Antonio, TX

- Methods to Teaching Science, Technology, Engineering and Math in Bil/ESL Education
- Applied Linguistics
- Test and Measures of Bilingual and ESL Education
- Second Language Acquisition and Literacy Development
- Multicultural and Multilingual Education

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August 2016-August 2021 Monroe May Elementary School Language Support Specialist

San Antonio, TX

- Provide small group language support and research-based reading interventions to K-5 English Language Learners.
- Identify, assess, and review instructional methodologies appropriate for English Learners.
- Coordinate Language Proficiency Assessment Committee meetings (LPAC).
- Collaborate with Bilingual, ESL, and Special Education teachers to design highly effective teaching practices for English Learners.
- Collaborate with Academic Specialists to deliver the latest teaching strategies and district updates to school personnel.
- Provide training to teachers on Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS).
- Provide training to teachers on state assessment designated supports and accessibility features available to Emergent Bilinguals.
- Maintain and record student progress in reading.

August 2008-August 2016

Carl Wanke Elementary School Bilingual Teacher

San Antonio, TX

- Experience in teaching pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and second grade.
- Provide Spanish reading instruction, Spanish language development, and English as a second language to students with limited English proficiency.
- Instruct pre-k state guidelines, kindergarten, and second grade TEKS to fulfill district and state requirements.
- Plan and use appropriate instructional learning strategies, activities, materials, and equipment that reflect the understanding of students' various learning styles and needs.
- Collaborate with Language Support Specialist to implement Differentiated Instruction and SDAIE and other ESL learning strategies using SIOP-based lesson plans.
- Collaborate with Special Education Teachers to modify and accommodate curriculum in full compliance with IEP's for students with special needs.
- Assess student learning using TPRI, TEJAS LEE, Pre-K Checklists, and Common Assessments to plan individual, small and whole group instruction.
- Attend professional development meetings such as LEER MAS, ESL Strategy Instruction Program, The Leader in Me, Planting Seeds for Effective Classroom Management and Dual Language, and the Bilingual Brain Seminars.
- A collaborative classroom teacher for the kindergarten grade level.
- ARD Interpreter.
- LPAC Representative.

September 2006-August 2008

Huebner Elementary Special Education Instructional Assistant

San Antonio, TX

- One to one assistant for a student with special needs.
- Provided accommodations and modifications of curriculum.
- ARD Interpreter.
- Performed other duties as assigned.

March 2005-August 2006

University of Texas Health Science Center International Visitor Advisor

San Antonio, TX

- Lead advisor to international students and scholars in developing their acculturation to U.S. customs and the UTHSC community.
- Served as liaison with various UTHSCSA departments, campus organizations, sponsoring agencies, local and national officials.

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- Served as immigration and tax advisor to international students and scholars and assisted in adjusting to the U.S. culture and UTHSCSA community.
- Interfaced with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Department of State, Internal Revenue Services, and Department of Labor authorities to process documents for international students and scholars.
- Maintained international students and scholars informed of visa and tax compliance matters.

Certifications and Skills

- EC-4 Generalist Standard Teacher Certification
- EC-4 Bilingual Education Supplemental Certification
- Texas Spanish Oral Language Proficiency Certification
- ESL Supplemental Certification
- English Language Arts 7-12 Certification Pending
- Social Studies 7-12 Certification Pending
- English, Spanish and Portuguese translator of documents
- English, Spanish and Portuguese interpreter