

Mira Stauffer

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OBJECTIVE

I am eager to bring my enthusiasm for learning and my extensive life experience to a teaching position with your educational program. I would be excited to bring my experience as a high school and college level English teacher, as the editor of the *South County Gazette*, and as vice president for the Harbor Country Chamber of Commerce to this teaching position.

EXPERIENCE

High School English and Journalism Teacher

Key West High School August 2016 - present

- Currently teach Junior English, Journalism, Yearbook, and sponsor the GSA Club
- *Noteworthy accomplishment:* Promote public relations for Key West High School through my journalism students who are published authors weekly in *The Citizen*

High School English Teacher and JV Volleyball Coach

Westville High School, IN August 2013 - 2016

- Taught Sophomore and Senior English, Mass Media/Yearbook, and Remedial English
- *Noteworthy accomplishments:* Facilitated 40% of my Remedial English students to pass state test required for graduation and achieved a winning record with JV Girls Volleyball

Media Assistant and Intern/Guest Teacher

Buchanan Middle and High School, MI February 2012 - June 2013

- Created a contemporary monthly newsletter using my newspaper background
- Broadcast a daily news program with student announcers and producers
- Transformed the library into a student-friendly atmosphere and implemented book clubs to encourage student reading

Professor

Western Michigan University Kalamazoo, MI Fall 2011 semester

- Taught English 1000
- Methods implemented included peer review, writing with real purposes, differentiating between lower order and higher order concerns, focusing on both final product and process, and student consultations

Editor

South County Gazette and The Other Side of the Lake, Three Oaks, MI 2001 - 2008

- Mentored several high school writers and photographers and started my path of enabling students to be published authors

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Education, Western Michigan University, Summa Cum Laude 2012

- Major ~ Secondary English Education
- Minor ~ Communication
- GPA ~ 3.98

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Vice President, Harbor Country Chamber of Commerce, New Buffalo MI 2007

- Served on the Partners in Education Committee that selected students for college scholarships and initiated the “Future Leaders Award” to recognize students who had overcome adversity
- Served on the Marketing Committee and designated marketing strategies as well as fund allocation to other non-profit events and organizations
- Served on the Guide Committee and designed a bike trail route for the Chamber’s annual publication

Junior Achievement, River Valley Middle School, Three Oaks, MI 2002- 2006

AWARDS

Western Michigan University **Dean’s List**, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012

Sigma Tau Delta, Alpha Nu Pi Chapter, **English Honor Society**, 2009-2012

Lake Michigan College **Dean’s List**, 1994

High School Valedictorian, Heritage Christian Academy, 1992

CERTIFICATIONS

- Florida teaching certificate with an ESOL endorsement

TECHNICAL PROFICIENCIES

- Google Classroom
- Many Google extensions such as Jamboard
- Adobe Suite programs
- Microsoft Suite programs
- Weebly web sites
- Multimedia equipment
- Yearbook design software
- Photography and photo editing software

PERSONAL QUALIFICATIONS

The most valuable attributes that I would offer are my love for teaching, as it is my “calling,” my ability to establish connections with local businesses and organizations that help give students real world applications for their learning, and my desire to build student relationships through a caring classroom community.