CHRISTINE STRAWN

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Creating equitable, effective, and creative learning spaces that inspire lifelong learning and promote a more just, inclusive world. Seeking a strong and collaborative team united in leading school communities to their full potential.

Expertise in the areas of curriculum design and implementation, as well as fostering positive, productive learning environments. Wide range of experiences with high quality, targeted instruction for students and meaningful professional development for teachers and staff.

Passionate about restorative justice, community building, social-emotional learning, mindfulness, human development, personalized learning, curriculum and instruction, and adult learning.

EXPERIENCE

ADMINISTRATIVE INTERN: Chicago Public Schools (CPS) (Chicago, IL), 2017 – 2018

Facilitated school-wide initiatives to improve communication, student achievement, and social-emotional learning and wellness

Coordinated year-long efforts to plan, design, create, and publish new school website; trained teachers and provided ongoing website training

Led weekly instructional leadership team PD and unit planning meetings

Wrote school improvement goals and 2-year action plan

TEACHER-LEADER: San Jose, CA & Chicago, IL, 2011 – 2018

Led district-wide efforts to support teachers building agency and ownership

Elected teacher representative and secretary of Local School Council

Taught yoga and mindfulness practices to staff and students, RYT 200

Coached and mentored new teachers, served as grade level lead

CLASSROOM TEACHER: CPS & Rowe Charter School (Chicago, IL), 2013 – 2018

Planned and implemented differentiated instruction within data-driven cycles

Model and Exemplary Classroom, 3rd grade (3 years), 5th grade (2 years)

SPECIAL EDUCATOR & CASE MANAGER: San Jose, CA & Chicago, IL, 2010 – 2013

Adapted curriculum and instruction to ensure access for all students K-8 (3 years)

Utilized a combination of service models to maximize student learning

EDUCATION

MASTER OF EDUCATION: Columbia University (New York, NY), 2017 – 2018

Educational Leadership; School Building Leader Certification

MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION: Alliant University (San Francisco, CA), 2010 – 2012

Teaching Special Education; K-12 Education Specialist Certification

BACHELOR OF ARTS: University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI), 2006 – 2009

Concentrations with Honors Distinction in Political Science, French