

Vanessa Serrano

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- EDUCATION:**
- ST. JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY, Philadelphia, PA
Master of Science in Special Education: August 2016
- TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, Philadelphia, PA
Bachelor of Science in Education: May 2015
Magna Cum Laude
- CERTIFICATIONS:**
- PA Instructional I Teaching Certification (Pre-K-4)
Wilson Reading System Level I Certification
- EXPERIENCE:**
- Russell Byers Charter School, Philadelphia, PA August 2016 – September 2018
Fourth Grade Teacher
- Created and implemented differentiated lesson plans aligned with state standards
 - Maintained student behaviors using various management techniques
 - Created and delivered formative and summative assessments to guide instruction
 - Tracked and analyzed student data in core subject areas
 - Assessed student literacy proficiency using assessment tools including DRAs and STEP
 - Created and fostered a positive, safe learning environment that incorporated the school's core values, high expectations, and code of conduct
- KIPP Philadelphia Elementary Academy, Philadelphia, PA July 2015 – June 2016
Urban Teaching Resident – Fourth Grade
- Developed and implemented multisensory language instruction for students with below grade level decoding skills using Wilson Reading System
 - Administered and analyzed assessment data collected using WIST assessment
 - Taught remedial phonemic awareness skills daily to students 1:1 and in small groups
 - Regularly assessed students using Fountas & Pinnell and STEP reading assessments
 - Planned and implemented developmentally appropriate guided reading lessons for small groups of students
- Wyncote Elementary School, Wyncote, PA January 2015 – May 2015
Student Teacher - Kindergarten
- Created and implemented educational lesson plans using appropriate core curriculum content standards while adapting to each student's learning needs
 - Collaborated with cooperating teacher to develop new classroom management techniques
 - Assumed all responsibilities of lead classroom teacher
- HIGHLIGHTS:**
- Highest percentage of student math growth schoolwide in the 2016-2017 school year
 - Coached teachers and assisted with strengthening classroom culture schoolwide
 - Facilitated workshops and professional developments on culture, diversity and education
- SKILLS:**
- Bilingual (Spanish/English)
 - Microsoft Office
 - Excellent written and oral communication