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| “Sarah did a great job challenging, motivating, and actively involving ALL learners, and she used differentiated instruction to address achievement gaps. She effectively and consistently links learning with students’ prior knowledge. In both lessons I observed, Sarah explicitly explains to students how what they learn that day connects to previous learning.”  Rene Matthews University Supervisor - ELA University of Kentucky  *“Ms. Ikerd has been very thorough in planning and teaching lessons, and displays comprehensive knowledge of the curriculum.”*  Brenda Dailey Cooperating Teacher  Southern Middle School  *“Ms. Ikerd’s lesson demonstrated a substantial degree of creativity and resourcefulness. Students were actively engaged in hands-on activities and in minds-on reflection and analysis. This lesson showed that she has great potential to be an effective middle school teacher.”*  Kelly Taylor  University Supervisor - Science  University of Kentucky | Objective Utilize life experiences and formal education to teach science at Morton Middle School. Education University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY  Bachelor of Arts in Middle School Education, Science and Language Arts  Graduation: May 5, 2013 Professional Experience Morton Middle School, Lexington, KY, *Student Teacher* **March 2013 – May 2013**  6th grade science, Mr. Rubin Jones   * Planned, implemented, and assessed a life science unit on microscopes, the characteristics of life, and cells. * Differentiated instruction for special needs students based on their IEP accommodations * Implemented formative and summative assessments to guide my instruction for diverse learning needs * Participated in Common Course Planning and preparatory On-Demand writing sessions * Attended K-PREP Administration Code training and K-PREP Inclusion of Special Populations training * Utilized Infinite Campus to record grades, take attendance, and communicate assignments   Edythe J. Hayes Middle School, Lexington, KY, *Student Teacher* January 2013 – March 2013  6th grade language arts, Mrs. Susan Bayes   * Designed, implemented, and assessed a multicultural unit on theme, characterization, and plot * Created lessons and rubrics covering Expository and Informative writing pieces * Differentiated instruction based on student MAP scores and IEP information * Administered pre/post tests and formative assessments to analyze student learning gains * Attended and contributed to 504 meetings, ARC sessions, parent-teacher conferences, collegial planning, department meetings, and faculty meetings   **Southern Middle School, Lexington, KY, *Practicum Student* October 2012 – November 2012**  6th grade science, Mr. Chase Smith and 7th grade language arts, Mrs. Brenda Dailey   * Planned, implemented, and assessed a language arts unit of study on Greek mythology and creative writing * Designed, implemented, and assessed a physical science unit of study on Forces of Motion. * Analyzed and reflected on student learning gains in order to better direct my instruction   **Beaumont Middle School, Lexington, KY, *Pre-Practicum Student*  January 2012 – April 2012**  7th grade language arts, Mrs. Aggie Sullinger and 8th grade language arts, Mrs. Rebekah Jacobson   * Designed and facilitated student-driven instruction, including learning centers about figurative language * Administered a pre/post-test in order to gather assessment data and analyze student learning gains  Related Work Experience The Lexington School, Lexington, KY, *Extended Day Teacher* **January 2011 – July 2012** Skills and Professional Development  * Kentucky Reading Association Pre-service Ambassador for Literacy * K-PREP Inclusion for Special Populations training, CIITS training, and SmartBoard training * The ability to use Microsoft Office, Edmodo, Socrative, Prezi, Class Dojo, and SmartBoard for 21st century learning and instruction      * The ability to build confidence in students and motivate them to find value and true meaning in learning and in life * 10+ years of tutoring and child care experience |

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