Dora Jean Kenney

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**PROFESSIONAL PROFILE**

* Primary teacher with 18+ years of experience in public, charter, and private educational settings with children from ages 3 to 10.
* Established community classroom environments for children to work independently and explore learning in a safe, friendly, developmentally appropriate environment.

**SKILLS**

Cooperative learning, differentiated instruction, ESL, integrated curriculum, student engagement, positive classroom management, problem solving, critical thinking, and creativity.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

*KINDERGARTEN TEACHER, September 2011 to July 2016*

Western Region, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

AL SAHAB KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL, Ghayathi

* Assisted Arabic teachers in creating child centered learning environments
* Worked with the kindergarten teaching team as the team leader

ADNOC SCHOOLS, Madinat Zayed

* Taught English to Arabic speaking children
* Provided extra-curricular activities after school for children in first through third grade

***PRIMARY TEACHER***

**Arizona*,*** *September 2001 to May 2011*

**SANDERS ELEMENTARY,** Sanders, Arizona

* Taught kindergarten, first grade, and third grade
* Provided after school tutoring in Math and English for children in second through fourth grade
* Held several leadership roles: language arts chairperson, spelling bee coordinator, and kindergarten team leader.

**ROUND VALLEY ELEMENTARY,** Springerville, Arizona

* Taught first grade
* Organized monthly outreach program at area senior center

**CONCHO ELEMENTARY,** Concho, Arizona

* Taught kindergarten
* Reorganized program to establish a community kindergarten classroom for children to work independently and explore learning in a safe, friendly, developmentally appropriate environment

**RENAISSANCE ACADEMY,** St. Johns, Arizona

* Taught a combined K-2 class
* Developed an individualized reading program for the K-2 classroom

Nevada*, August 2000 to August 2001*

HALLE HEWETSON ELEMENTARY, Las Vegas, Nevada

* Taught First Grade in a school for disadvantaged children

Idaho*, September 1995 to June 1998*

SUNNY RIDGE ELEMENTARY, Nampa, Idaho

* Taught First and Second Grade
* Worked with struggling readers to improve their reading confidence and develop a love for reading

EDUCATION

MONTESSORI NORTHWEST, Portland, Oregon

*AMI Primary Diploma, June 2017*

**WALDEN UNIVERSITY, Baltimore, Maryland**

*Master of Science in Education, June 2008*

* Elementary Reading and Literacy
* GPA 3.80

**NORTHWEST NAZARENE UNIVERSITY, Nampa, Idaho**

*Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education, June 1995*

* Graduated Magna Cum Laude

REFERENCES

References available upon request.