

Andrew Thames

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OBJECTIVE:

Seeking a Mathematics teaching position at De Pere High School. Offering a passion for connecting with students and sensitivity to other cultural norms and values.

EDUCATION:

St. Norbert College, De Pere, WI

Bachelor of Arts Degree, May 2010

Major: Mathematics

Certification: Early Adolescence-Adolescence (Wisconsin License Code 73)

GPA: 3.98/4.00

Honors: Dean's List

Awards: St. Norbert College Distinguished Trustees Scholarship (Academics)

Diversity and Leadership Scholarship

Praxis II Mathematics Exam, Top 10th Percentile Honors

2009 Jacob's Award Recipient (Outstanding Pre-Service Teacher Award)

2007 Leader in Exceptional Attitudes and Dispositions Award Recipient

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Parkview Middle School, Green Bay, WI

November 2009 – January 2010

Student Teaching, 7th Grade - (Taught Foundations, Math 7, and Honors Math 7)

- Gained valuable experience teaching out of the CMP Connected Math Series.
- Created a classroom website to provide the students with additional classroom resources for the purpose of supporting and extending learning. This website allowed parents to partner with their child to provide a family learning experience.
- Wrote detailed lesson plans that included objectives, essential questions, state standards, modifications, and formative and summative assessments.
- Attended IEP meetings for learning disabled students.
- Created various types of classroom activities, such as graphic organizer, reading guides, partner work, and summative assessment projects.
- Used technology to enhance students' 21st Century Learning Skills, such as a Smart Board and an electronic textbook.
- Developed high-tech review games to create positive student-to-student interaction while creating an excitement for learning.
- Inspired students to succeed by building relationships and connections that led to trust.
- Worked collaboratively with Special Education Teacher to differentiate instruction in an inclusion classroom.

De Pere High School, De Pere, WI

September 2009 - November 2009

Student Teaching, High School - (Taught Pre-Algebra, Algebra, and Geometry)

- Supported student learning in the Math Resource room before school.
- Contributed to the creation of an emotionally and physically warm classroom environment using positive classroom management strategies.
- Differentiated instruction to fit the needs of all types of learners.
- Allowed students to demonstrate knowledge and understanding through numerous types of formative and summative assessment pieces.
- Collaborated with math faculty to enhance the quality of teaching and learning.
- Assisted with parent-teacher conferences.
- Extending learning beyond the classroom walls by connecting mathematics to the students' everyday lives.

- Created unit of study using the Backward Design Model on the *Language of Algebra*

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Washington Middle School, Green Bay, WI

November 2008

Middle School Junior Block Experience, 6th Grade

- Created a unit of study on the scientific reasoning behind the sinking of the *Titanic*.
- Used technology to provide the students with an alternative way to present their newly acquired knowledge.

Washington Middle School, Green Bay, WI

April – May 2008

Sophomore Block Experience, 7th Grade – (Taught 7th Grade Math and Honors 7th Grade Math)

- Worked with a wide array of diverse students.
- Developed lasting, positive relationships and connections with the students that lead to trust and student success in school.

CAREER RELATED EXPERIENCE:

St. Norbert College, De Pere, WI

August 2007 – Present

Mathematics Teaching Assistant

- Tutor individual students in order to check for comprehension of new concepts.
- Assist in grading papers to help provide immediate feedback to students.
- Facilitate student led review sessions to adequately prepare students to do well on exams.
- Use higher-order thinking questions to foster quality discussion and to assist students when studying.

Howe and Eisenhower Elementary, Green Bay, WI

August 2007 – May 2008

YMCA After School Program Volunteer

- Served as a tutor for all subjects to help students complete daily homework assignments.
- Mentored At-Risk students by forming connections with them to bring them to a state of active participation in the program.
- Nominated for Volunteer Service Award by Wisconsin Public Service.

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

Associate Varsity Girls Soccer Coach - Green Bay East High School, Green Bay, WI

March 2009 – Present

Junior Varsity Boys Soccer Co-Coach - Green Bay East High School, Green Bay, WI

August 2008 – Present

U-16 Boys Select Soccer Head Coach – Green Bay Lightning, Green Bay, WI

February 2010 - Present

Assistant U-17 Girls State League Soccer Coach - Green Bay Lightning, Green Bay, WI

August 2009 – Present

U-17 Boys Select Soccer Co-Coach - Howard Hurricanes, Green Bay, WI

March 2009 – August 2009

U-15 Boys Select Soccer Head Coach - De Pere Select, De Pere, WI

March 2008 – August 2008

- Apply the game of soccer to real-life in order to instill the qualities of dedication, teamwork, and confidence.
- Use the game of soccer to develop high-character young men and women.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE:

St. Norbert College, De Pere, WI

August 2006 – Present

Member of Diversity and Leadership Club

- Plan cultural diversity events on campus.
- Host culturally diverse students overnight on campus.

TECHNOLOGY EXPERIENCE:

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| • Adobe Photoshop (Graphic Design) | • ISTE Nets (Concept Mapping) | • Webquest Software |
| • All Microsoft Office Software | • Moodle (Classroom Website Tool) | • Smart Board |
| • Media Belnder (Animation Software) | • Garage Band (Podcasting) | • iClickers |
| • Image Blender (Graphic Design) | • Mathematica (Math Software) | |

- iMovie (Creating Movies/Slideshows)
- PB Works (Wiki-Building Software)
- Mini-Tab (Statistics Software)
- Smart Notebook Software