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EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Teaching, 2010

Dallas Baptist University, Dallas, Texas

Bachelor of Science – Major: Speech Communication

Minors: English & Marketing, 1992

Tarleton State University, Stephenville, Texas

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor	East Texas Baptist University	7/19-present
Dyslexia Specialist	Burleson ISD, Itinerant (K-12)	6/15-6/19
4 th Grade Teacher, Team Lead	Burleson ISD, Bransom Elementary	8/11-6/15
Online Instructor	Blackaby Ministries International	9/02-4/06

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Thrive Coordinator	East Texas Baptist University	7/19-present
Student Accommodations, Chair	East Texas Baptist University	7/19-present
Freelance Editor	Self Employed	11/04-present
Director of Broadcast Media	Blackaby Ministries International	7/98-4/06
Senior Human Resources Specialist	Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway	11/94-7/98
Human Resources Manager	Keller State Bank	6/92-11/94

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCES:

- SACSCOC Annual Meeting – 12/23
- SACSCOC Annual Meeting – 12/21
- SACSCOC 2021 Institute on Quality Enhancement and Accreditation Conference - 7/21
- Certified Peer Educator Train the Trainer – NASPA – 5/21
- Virtual Assistive Technology Expo - University of South Carolina Center for Disability Resources – 3/21
- National Mentoring Summit 2021 - Rising to the Moment – 1/21
- Science of Teaching Reading: Things You Need to Know - Texas Education Agency - 12/20
- Consortium of State Organizations for Texas Teacher Education Annual Conference – 10/20
- T-TESS Training for Field Supervisors - 12/2019
- Working Memory and Academic Learning: Assessment and Intervention – Dr. Milton Dehn, 6/2017
- Council of Educators for Students with Disabilities State Dyslexia Conference, Austin, TX, 10/2016
- Comprehensive Test of Phonological Processing 2 & Test of Written Spelling, Region 10 ESC, Certification 3/2016
- Gray Oral Reading Test 5, Certification 2/2016

- The Dyslexia & Dysgraphia – Innovative Blended Learning Experience, Region 11 ESC, 6/2016
- Basic Language Skills – Neuhaus Education Center, Houston, TX, 7/2015

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS:

- Quality Enhancement: Engaging Minds – presented to ETBU Board of Trustees, April 2022
- New Employee Orientation – present the Quality Enhancement Plan to new faculty and staff, bi-annually since 2020
- Identifying Dyslexia in the Classroom – present to Clinical Teachers – September 2020 – present (each semester)
- Making Wise Decisions – presented at Congreso Experience Conference – Feb. 2020
- Getting Started as a Mentor – one-day training presented to ETBU faculty and staff to launch campus-wide mentoring program – Aug. 2019
- Student-Led Tech Crew – Under my direction, students were invited to present assistive technology resources to the district Special Services staff; all district administrators; and at various faculty meetings district-wide. 11/2017-5/2019
- [Turn Struggling Readers into Leaders Using Assistive Technology](#) – Invited to EdWeb.net, 4/16/2019 sponsored by Learning Ally
- Understanding Dyslexia: Identification, Intervention, Success – Invited to present to the Burleson ISD School Board, 3/2019
- The Dyslexic Person – Slow Reader, Out-of-the-Box Thinker – Invited to present to the Burleson Area Rotary Club, 1/2019
- [The Benefits of Ear-Reading](#); Edutopia, published: 11/16/2018
- Implementation of Assistive Technology in the classroom – Invited to present to administration, faculty, and staff district-wide. 6/2018-11/2018
- Decoding the English Language – Decoding strategies and syllabication – Invited to present to classroom general education teachers. 9/2018
- Technology Content Area Academy – ELA, Science, Math, Electives – assistive technology targeted support by content area. Invited to jointly present. 6/2018
- Scientific Spelling – Explicit, multisensory spelling strategies for the classroom – presented to general education teachers
- Dyslexia Parent Night – Dyslexia Awareness, Assistive Technology, General Updates (community-wide event)
- [Called & Accountable 52-Week Devotional](#), published 4/2007 – co-authored with Henry & Norman Blackaby

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Honors

- **2022 Servant Leader of the Year**
 - East Texas Baptist University | 5/2022
- **Best Teaching Practices of the Great Reading Games** – [Published Interview](#)
 - Learning Ally | 3/2018
- **Support Person of the Year**
 - The Academy @ Nola Dunn Elementary, Burleson ISD - 2016-2017
- **Teacher of the Year**
 - Bransom Elementary, Burleson ISD - 2011-2012

Accomplishments:

- Established district-wide Student-Led Tech Crew – Students *teach* teachers assistive technology. 2017-2019
- Learning Ally Great Reading Games 2019 – 1st Place Nationally – featured on [NBC 5 D/FW Carter in the Classroom](#)
- Learning Ally Great Reading Games 2018 – 3rd Place Nationally – featured on [WFAA D/FW](#) television station
- Learning Ally Great Reading Games 2017 – National Social Media contest Winner, 8th Place Nationally

Committee Service:

Care Team Committee – East Texas Baptist University – 2022-present

Student Accommodation Services, Chair – East Texas Baptist University – 2019-present

RTI Committee – Academy @ Nola Dunn – 2015-2019

Assistive Technology District committee – 2017-2019

District-wide Dyslexia Evaluation Panel, Burleson ISD – 2015-2018

District-wide Elementary Curriculum Update Committee – 2011-2015

LPAC Member – Bransom Elementary, Burleson ISD – 2011-2014