Palmer, AK 99645

#### PROFESSIONAL SKILLS SUMMARY

- Education Executive with over 20 years of experience in public and non-profit education
- Highly effective instructional leader
- Demonstrate excellence and transparency in increasing student achievement, graduation rates, and improving communication with stakeholders
- Expert at identifying and developing systems for Operational Excellence initiatives, to enhance student achievement, improve instructional quality, reduce costs, and create quality sustainable operations
- Skilled at managing educational, financial and cultural improvement
- Strategic planner
- · Life-long advocate for children

# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Yukon Koyukuk School District, Eagle River, AK (2015-Present), Raven Principal & Program Director of Distance Education/Assistant Principal/Advisory Teacher

The Yukon Koyukuk School District serves over 3000 students in a statewide homeschool and students in 9 village schools. It is a dynamic educational environment with participants who are willing to take risks as they foster educational excellence and cultivate personal, intellectual, and emotional growth, technological skills, responsibility of self, and citizenship.

Compassionate Directions Board of Directors, (Member), Palmer, Alaska, (2/2023-Present)

Professional Teaching Practices Commission Member, (Principal Representative), Alaska (6/2021-Present)

Alaska Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee Member/Chair (Educator/Public Agency), Alaska (10/2020-Present)

ACT State Organization Member for Alaska (2020-Present)

Mat-Su Farm Bureau President/Secretary, Palmer, AK (2020-Present)

## Iditarod Area School District, McGrath, AK (2012-15)

The Iditarod Area School District serves 260 students and has a statewide homeschool based in Eagle River.

K-12 Principal, District Test Coordinator, Teacher

Cutting Edge Consulting, Palmer, AK (2011-2012) Owner/Consultant

Denali Borough School District, Healy, AK (2010-2011)

The Denali Borough School District serves 859 students, prides itself on it's one-to-one Apple technology program, and investing in the future, one student at a time.

# Superintendent

# Clark Middle School, Anchorage School District, Anchorage, AK (2009-2010)

The Anchorage School District serves 47,775 students, where the primary goal is to educate all students for success.

**Special Education Teacher (Middle School)** 

State of Alaska Department of Education & Early Development, Juneau, AK (2008-2010) State of Alaska Instructional Audit Team Member

## Kodiak Island Borough School District, Kodiak, AK (2008-2009)

The Kodiak Island Borough School District serves 2,483 students and exists to provide an educational program of the highest standard that empowers all students to achieve personal and academic excellence while developing their full potential as responsible, productive citizens.

**Director Federal Programs & Assessment** 

# **Southcentral Foundation Head Start**, Anchorage, AK (2006-2008)

Southcentral Foundation Head Start serves 365 children and their families to build strong foundations with Alaska Native families through Alaska Native cultures and education

**Head Start & Early Head Start Executive Director** 

Alaska Head Start Association, Anchorage, AK (2007-2008)

Executive Board Member and Secretary

National Indian Head Start Director's Association, Anchorage, AK (2007-2008) Alaska Representative

Kids' Corps, Inc., Anchorage Head Start Anchorage, AK (2003 –2006)

Kids' Corps, Inc. serves 351 children and their families to provide a head start to families with children who need it most.

Program Operations Manager/Multiple Site Administrator

#### Chugiak Children's Services, Palmer, AK (2000-2003)

Chugiak Children's Services served 55 children and their families by making a difference in the lives and families of young children within our communities.

Center Coordinator/Building Administrator

Mat-Su Services for Children & Adults, Inc., Wasilla, AK (Summer 2002)

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Community Team Coordinator

Early Intervention Specialist

Nuigsut Trapper School, North Slope Borough School District, Nuigsut, AK (1998 –2000)

Teacher –grades 1st & 2nd

Illisagvik GED Instructor

# Shaktoolik School, Bering Straits School District, Shaktoolik, AK (1997 –1998)

Teacher -grades ECE/K

# Work Experience prior to 1997

Other work experience includes working in the hospitality, substitute teaching, mining and farming industries, and administrative support with the National Park Service-Wrangell-St. Elias National Park

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Alaska, Anchorage, Superintendent Certificate University of Alaska, Anchorage, Masters in Educational Leadership University of Alaska, Anchorage, B. ED, Elementary Education, Minor: Natural Sciences

## **MEMBERSHIPS Past & Present**

- Future Ready Schools
- Alaska Association of School Business Officials
- National Association of Elementary School Principals
- Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
- National Association for the Education of Young Children
- Alaska Association for the Education of Young Children
- Alaska Head Start Association
- National Indian Head Start Directors Association
- National Head Start Association

## LICENSURE & CERTIFICATIONS

- State of Alaska Type B Principal certificate for grades K-12 with Superintendent Endorsement
- State of Alaska Type A Teacher certificate for grades K-8
- Alaska Administrator's Coaching Project Participant
- Certified Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Diagnostician
- WIPFLi Young Grant Funded Programs Management
- State of Alaska Child and Adult Care Food Program Administration
- Certificate of Professional Development—Leading to Greatness: Building True Success Wherever You Live and Work
- Certificate of Professional Development—Strategic Leadership: Developing Leaders for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

#### **AWARDS**

- Recognition for Outstanding Service May 2022, Yukon Koyukuk School District
- 2007 Southcentral Foundation Honoring Our Successes Award
- 2005-2006 Head Start Program Staff of the Year
- 1998 Teacher of the Year Nuiqsut
- State of Alaska Certificate of Recognition for volunteer time with the Mat-Su Fetal Alcohol Diagnostic Team
- Certificate of Appreciation from the University of Alaska Anchorage Human Services Department