

**LV****LORRI VAN DIEST**


OBJECTIVE

I am a sincere, conscientious trustworthy individual, re-applying for the Board of Education & Early Development. My experience as a current State Board of Education member, elementary school counselor, and district curriculum coordinator, makes me a strong candidate.

SKILLS

I will continue to offer the Board of Education & Early Development skills as an experienced facilitator, coordinator, organizer, accurate record keeper, solid team player, confidential counselor, and skilled communicator in verbal and written language.

WORK EXPERIENCE

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNSELOR • IDITAROD ELEMENTARY • MATANUSKA SUSITNA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (MSBSD) • 501 N GULKANA ST. • PALMER, AK 99645 • AUGUST 2018 TO PRESENT

- Counseled individual students and parents
- Facilitated small group counseling
- Worked with community agencies regarding individuals and families
- Maintained accurate and confidential records
- Member of Crisis Response Team
- Professional Development presenter to school staff

SUBSTITUTE SCHOOL COUNSELOR • MSBSD • 2015-2018

- Filled-in for regular counselor at various secondary schools
- Worked up to 8 weeks at a time
- Responsibilities equivalent to the full-time counselor

HOMESCHOOL TEACHER • INDEPENDENT HOMESCHOOL PROGRAM • 2010 TO PRESENT

- Planned, taught, and assessed all school subjects to my three children
- Coordinated learning opportunities
- Traveled extensively throughout the Pacific Northwest of the United States

DISTRICT CURRICULUM COORDINATOR • MSBSD • 2004-2010

- Coordinated district curriculum development for all core content areas in a district of 18,800 students
- Facilitated Curriculum Council, curriculum writing and selection meetings for up to 40 people
- Organized the selection process for district-wide instructional materials
- Teamed with other district leaders on various initiatives, including district improvement plans, federal grants, and AYP efforts

SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNSELOR • COLONY HIGH SCHOOL & TEELAND MIDDLE SCHOOL • MSBSD • 1993-2004

- Advised and assisted high school seniors' transition to various post-secondary opportunities
- Conducted scholarship, financial aid, post-secondary education workshops
- Coordinated school wide counseling program
- Built the master schedule for TMS and CHS

HIGH SCHOOL MATH TEACHER • COLONY HIGH SCHOOL & SEWARD JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL • 1988-1993

- Taught and assessed all levels of high school math, including 12th grade Pre-Calculus
- Maintained accurate student records
- Planned classroom instruction and organized classroom environment

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL ASSISTANT COACH • COLONY HIGH SCHOOL • MSBSD • 1991-2002

- Coached all levels – C Team, Junior-Varsity, Varsity
- Designed and conducted C team practices
- Chaperoned all basketball trips, including travel to other states

SAXON MATH CONSULTANT • VARIOUS ALASKA SCHOOL DISTRICTS • 2011-2013

- Planned and facilitated training for district teachers
- Operated distant learning technology for trainings
- Prepared written reports for school officials

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATES

GUIDANCE & COUNSELING, M.S. • 1996 • OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY • CORVALLIS, OREGON

Summa Cum Laude

MATHEMATICS, B.S. • 1986 • SEATTLE PACIFIC UNIVERSITY • SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Cum Laude

SEVERAL COLLEGE COURSES USED TO RE-CERTIFY TEACHING & COUNSELING CREDENTIAL • 1989 TO PRESENT • UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA • ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

SEVERAL EDUCATIONAL & NATIONAL CONFERENCES • VARIOUS TOPICS • 1990 TO PRESENT • ALASKA & OTHER STATES

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR • 2000 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA LICENSE #087

CERTIFIED SECONDARY MATHEMATICS TEACHER • 1988 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA

CERTIFIED K-12 SCHOOL COUNSELOR • 1993 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA

VOLUNTEER & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

BOARD OF EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT MEMBER • JANUARY 2018 TO PRESENT • SECOND VICE-CHAIR FEBRUARY 2019 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA

BOARD OF EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR • MARCH 2019 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA

LAZY MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL BOARD • PRESIDENT 2016 TO PRESENT & 2009-2011 • PALMER, ALASKA

MAT-SU COMMUNITY COUNCILS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY • MEMBER 2019 TO PRESENT • WASILLA, ALASKA

HEARTREACH PREGNANCY CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS • 2009-2012 • PRESIDENT 2009-2010 • WASILLA, ALASKA

ALASKA PRIVATE & HOME EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBER • 2012-2015 • WASILLA, ALASKA

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST