



**Curriculum Vita  
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**EDUCATION**

Doctor of Education  
Early Childhood & Reading  
Texas A & M Commerce University, 2012

M. Ed. Early Childhood Education,  
Stephen F. Austin State University, 2002

B. S. Interdisciplinary Studies  
Stephen F. Austin State University, 1993

Certifications:  
Texas State Teacher Certificate  
Texas Early Childhood Certification  
Cognitive Coaching  
West Ed Program for Infant Toddler Caregivers (PITC) Module I  
CIRCLE National Trainer - University of Texas at Houston  
Conscious Discipline

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

August 1993 – June 2013, Teacher & Administrator, Mount Pleasant ISD

August 2013-August 2014, Assistant Professor, Texas A & M Texarkana University  
September 2014-August 2018, Early Childhood Specialist, Region VIII Service Center

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Learning About Language and Literacy in Preschool. "*Helping Preschoolers Prepare for Writing*" (pp. 68-71). NAEYC, 2015.

*Early Years* (Spring 2014). "Caution: Children at Play!"

*Early Years* (Winter 2013). "Marketing Magic: Creating Irresistible Learning Environments for Preschoolers."

*Young Children* (Sept., 2011). "Helping Preschoolers Prepare for Writing: Developing Fine Motor Skills."

### **RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS**

2005, Early Reading First, Department of Education, 2.4 million

2009, Early Reading First, Department of Education, 2 million

2014, Texas School Ready, University of Texas Houston Health Science Center \$500,000

2016, Texas School Ready, University of Texas Houston Health Science Center \$500,000