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Paul Allen

Elementary Teacher

Recent elementary education graduate with student teaching in second and fifth grade dual-language classrooms. Strong background in phonics instruction and culturally responsive lesson design. Seeking a K-3 classroom position for the 2024-2025 school year.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

STUDENT TEACHER, 2ND GRADE

PINECREST LEARNING ACADEMY, TUCSON, AZ | JAN 2024 – MAY 2024

- Took over full planning and instruction for 24 students across all subjects during a 10-week solo teaching block.
- Designed a phonics unit on vowel teams that brought 6 of 8 lowest-performing readers up at least one Fountas and Pinnell level.
- Ran morning meeting daily using Responsive Classroom routines; supervising teacher noted improved transitions on final evaluation.
- Built bilingual word walls in English and Spanish, used by both second-grade sections through the end of the year.

PRACTICUM STUDENT, 5TH GRADE

PINECREST LEARNING ACADEMY, TUCSON, AZ | AUG 2023 – DEC 2023

- Co-taught math and science lessons twice weekly under mentor teacher's supervision.
- Pulled small groups of 4-6 students for fraction remediation using manipulatives and visual models.
- Graded weekly writing assignments and gave students rubric-aligned feedback within 48 hours.

EDUCATION

B.A. Elementary Education, University of Arizona, 2024

Arizona Standard Elementary Education Certificate, K-8 (issued May 2024)

Structured English Immersion Endorsement, K-12

GPA: 3.78 / Dean's List 6 semesters

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KEY SKILLS

- Phonics & Heggerty
- Responsive Classroom
- Spanish (conversational)
- Google Classroom
- Seesaw & ClassDojo
- Differentiated instruction
- Small-group reading
- Lesson planning (Backward Design)