

RACHEL PATZWALDT

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OBJECTIVE | To provide students with a greater sense of the world around them and a desire to better themselves through education.

EXPERIENCE | **GENERAL EDUCATION TEACHER, DEWITT PUBLIC SCHOOLS**
SEPTEMBER 2003-PRESENT

- General Education teacher with experience in grades 2, 3, and 4
- Lead a variety of classroom models: traditional, looping, single gender, team-taught, co-taught
- Plan, implement and assess all content areas
- Developed and maintain positive behavior systems as related to classroom management and school wide behavior expectations
- Administer, assess and evaluate universal screeners and use data to differentiate instruction and implement research based interventions
- Develop and administer formative and summative assessments that guide instructional decisions
- Differentiate instruction based on student need and ability, including enrichment opportunities
- Encourage real world application of science and literacy understanding through participation in the Big Zoo Lesson, Big History Lesson and Annie's Big Nature Lesson

EDUCATION | **MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST LANSING, MI**
MASTERS IN THE ART OF EDUCATION (MAED)

Concentration on Literacy Education, current GPA of 3.81

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST LANSING, MI
FIFTH YEAR TEACHER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Fulfilled at Whitehills Elementary, East Lansing, MI, earned 12 graduate credits, GPA of 4.00

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST LANSING, MI
BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

Majored in Elementary Education with minors in Earth Science and History, GPA of 3.42

COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

Home-School partnership created by newsletters, e-mails, classroom website (www.prideisland.weebly.com), formal and informal conferences, Brown Bag lunches.

Proficient in: Internet, e-mail, Google applications, Skype, Microsoft Office applications, iPad, digital cameras, social media websites (Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest), blog creation, SmartBoard technology, Weebly website creation, HooverCam technology, Illuminations database system

LEADERSHIP

- Co-Lead in-district professional development that facilitated and supported implementation of Lucy Calkins Units of Study (2013)
- Grade level chair for Math and Writing School Improvement Committees (2012-present)
- Member of school Leadership Team facilitated by MiBLSi (2011-present)
- Presenter of Writing on Wednesdays workshop sponsored by Red Cedar Writing Project (2007-2010)
- Co-Director and Camp Counselor at Spartan Writer's Camp (2005-2010)
- Teacher Consultant for Red Cedar Writing Project (2004)

