## **AMANDA WEBSTER**

**EDUCATION:** 

University of Michigan Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education Ann Arbor, MI Language Arts Major, Math Minor GPA: 3.921 May 2013

**CERTIFICATION:** 

Michigan Provisional Elementary Certificate Subject Areas: Language Arts and Math

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Teacher—4th grade August 2013-present

Heritage Elementary Saline, MI

• Implemented a Next-Generation classroom model, including flipped mathematics instruction, focus on the 4 Cs, Project Based Learning, and Growth Mindset/brain-based lessons

- Led our Schools of Rock team, Project Based Learning Committee, as well as Intervention Team
- Invited University of Michigan TeachingWorks researchers to observe modeling and discussion in math

## Student Teacher—5th grade

September 2012-April 2013

Willow Run Intermediate Learning Center: racially diverse Title 1 school

Ypsilanti, MI

- Implemented Whole Brain Teaching Program and Positive Behavior Management System
- Planned and executed five week ELA unit (Reading Street curriculum) involving drama and two discussion-heavy math instructional cycles on division (Everyday Math curriculum)

## Pre-Student Teacher—Kindergarten and 3rd grade

September 2011-April 2012

Bach Elementary: racially diverse school

Ann Arbor, MI

- Led Guided Reading groups using guidelines from Fountas and Pinnell and held writing conferences
- Taught whole group writing mini-lessons using Lucy Calkins
- Worked with several English Language Learners to improve reading comprehension

Math Tutor May 2012—August 2012

Mathnasium Learning Center

Livonia, MI

• Tutored groups of students, ages 5-22, instilling a foundation in number sense, using a variety of manipulatives, and supplementing with math games

**Dance Instructor** August 2006 – Present

Center Stage Dance Company

Northville, MI

- Taught ballet, pointe, tap, jazz, lyrical, and Zumba fitness classes for students, ages 3-adult
- Choreographed original pieces in all styles for annual showcases
- Managed the front office (account billing, student database maintenance, promotions), coordinated special projects/events, and conferenced with parents about student progress and programming

## Camp Leader/Choreographer

June 2013—August 2013

Young People's Theater

Ann Arbor, MI

• Created lesson plans, activities, and choreography for summer day camp in theater and dance (ages 5-18)

# **Musical Theater Choreographer**

December 2009 – Present

Dexter High School and Mill Creek Middle School

Dexter, MI

- Created original choreography for winter and spring musical productions
- Integrated new forms of dance into students' repertoire and worked to add movement into places not noted by the script so as to create a more visually stimulating production
- Helped plan the annual banquet, arranged visits to local elementary schools, and chaperoned trips to New York City and Chicago to experience live professional theater

**Dance Instructor** 

September 2010-December 2012

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation

Ann Arbor, MI

- Coordinated a ballet, tap, and hip hop program for students, ages 2-12, and taught Zumba fitness classes
- Planned and executed seven recitals, including invitations, music selection, programs, and refreshments

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Developed Micro-credential Course, PBL	Saline, MI	August 2017
Project Based Learning 201, Buck Institute	Columbus, OH	July 2017
steamLAB Conference	Waverly, MI	July 2017
Project Based Learning 101, Buck Institute	Minnetonka, MN	June 2016
eSpark Learning, Teacher Training	Saline, MI	October 2015
Project Lead The Way, Launch Lead Teacher Training	Ypsilanti, MI	July 2015
MACUL Conference	Detroit, MI	March 2015
Next Generation/Student Led-Future Focused Initiative	e Saline, MI	September 2014
Google Certified Educator Training	Plymouth, MI	July 2014
nErDCampMI Conference	Parma, MI	July 2014 & 2015
Michigan Reading Association (MRA) Conference	Grand Rapids, MI	March 2014

#### <u> ACTIVITIES:</u>

# **Executive Director,** *K-grams (Kids Programs)*

September 2009-May 2013

- Managed largest student-run volunteer organization on campus (over 1,000 college students and 1,000 elementary students), overseeing monthly pen pal letter exchanges and weekly tutoring sessions
- Planned and executed six full-day field trips to campus and organized two Kids' Fair events which united all 1,000 elementary students with their pen pals, on campus, to explore different aspects of college life

## **Executive Board Member,** RhythM Tap Ensemble

September 2009-May 2013

• Choreographed original tap pieces, facilitated practices, and coordinated funding and performance details

**Member,** *Kappa Delta Pi—International Honor Society in Education* 

January 2012-May 2013

• Volunteered at service events with children and attended several professional development seminars

#### **HONORS:**

Dean's Award for Excellence (School of Education)	03/18/2012, 04/01/2013
Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society	04/01/2012
James B. Angell Scholar	03/20/2011, 03/18/2012, 03/17/2013
William J. Branstrom Freshman Prize	03/21/2010
University Honors	12/23/2009, 04/29/2010, 12/22/2010, 04/28/2011,
	12/22/2011, 04/26/2012, 12/20/2012, 4/29/2013