Lauris Smeed

Middle School Social Studies Teacher

Profile

I am a Middle School Social Studies Teacher with over 5 years of experience. I have taught in various settings, including inner-city and rural schools. I have a passion for helping students learn about the world around them and preparing them for success in life. My teaching style is engaging and challenging, which has resulted in high student achievement levels. I am committed to meeting the needs of all learners and creating an inclusive learning environment.

Employment History

Middle School Social Studies Teacher at East Middle School, TN

May 2022 - Present

- Taught 70 students in a 6th grade social studies class.
- Planned and executed 10 field trips.
- Organized and led 2 school-wide service projects.
- Chaperoned 3 dances.
- Advised the Student Council.

Assistant Middle School Social Studies Teacher at West Middle School, TN

Aug 2017 - Apr 2022

- Taught a class of 25 seventh graders about Ancient Greece, which included a unit on the Olympics.
- Led students in creating an Olympic Games in their classroom, including designing and building chariots out of materials found around the school.
- Organized and took students on a field trip to a local museum to supplement their learning about Ancient Greece.
- Created lesson plans and instructional materials for use in teaching social studies classes.
- Assisted the head social studies teacher with grading papers and developing curriculum.

Education

Bachelor of Arts in Middle School Social Studies Education at Vanderbilt University, TN

Aug 2012 - May 2017

I have learned how to effectively communicate with people, how to manage a classroom, and how to teach content in an engaging way.

Certificates

National Board Certification for Middle School Social Studies Teachers Sep 2020 Certified Global History Teacher Aug 2019

Details

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Links

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Skills

History

Geography

Civics

Economics

Psychology

Sociology

Languages

English

Spanish

Hobbies

Golf Reading Sewing