



Springfield, IL

#### **EDUCATION**

# **Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education**

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign Graduated: May 2013

#### **Professional Development**

- Online Course: "Differentiated Instruction in the Classroom" (Completed 2024)
- Workshop: "Supporting Students with Diverse Needs" – Hosted by Springfield Education Council, June 2024

#### **SKILLS**

- Classroom Management
- Lesson Planning and Curriculum Design
- Student Assessment and Evaluation
- Parent Communication and Engagement
- Microsoft Office Suite, Google Classroom, Zoom

# ETHEL GONZALEZ

### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER**

#### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Dedicated and passionate educator with over 9 years of experience teaching elementary students, creating engaging lesson plans, and fostering a supportive classroom environment. Returning to teaching after a rewarding period as a stay-at-home mother, bringing strong organization, communication, and time management skills.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

• August 2015 - June 2022

### **3rd Grade Teacher**

Springfield Elementary School, Springfield, IL /

- Designed and implemented engaging lesson plans across subjects, with a focus on hands-on activities and personalized instruction.
- Led after-school reading programs that improved reading comprehension scores by 20% within a single school year.
- Built positive relationships with parents and guardians, establishing consistent communication through regular updates and parent-teacher meetings.
- August 2013 June 2015

## 5th Grade Teacher

Lakeside Academy, Springfield, IL /

- Taught core subjects, with an emphasis on interactive learning and teamwork.
- Developed and introduced a monthly "Science Exploration Day," inspiring curiosity in STEM among young students.
- Managed classroom of 25 students, promoting a positive and inclusive learning environment.

#### **DURING CAREER BREAK**

• 2023 - Now / Springfield Elementary School Parent-Teacher Association

## **PTA Member and Fundraising Chair**

- Coordinated school fundraising events that raised over ,000 to enhance classroom resources and extracurricular programs.
- Organized family engagement nights and facilitated workshops to help parents support their children's education.
- Led a team of 15 volunteers in creating and implementing school events, demonstrating leadership and project management skills.