

Reggio Emilia Kindergarten Teacher

Betty J. Bloom

Professional summary

Passionate and dedicated Reggio Emilia-inspired educator with experience fostering creativity, self-expression, and collaboration in young learners. Skilled in creating engaging, child-centered learning environments that inspire exploration and discovery.

Experience

Kindergarten Teacher (Reggio Emilia Approach)

August 2020 - December 2024

Little Explorers Learning Center / United States, Alamogordo

- Implemented the Reggio Emilia philosophy to design and deliver a curriculum that encourages children to explore their environment, express ideas, and learn through creative play.
- Facilitated open-ended projects that allow children to inquire, problem-solve, and build understanding through hands-on activities such as art, music, and nature exploration.
- Promoted the use of "learning journals" to document student progress, thoughts, and reflections, allowing children to track their learning journey.
- Fostered collaboration among students, encouraging group projects and peer-to-peer learning while maintaining a supportive classroom environment.

Preschool Teacher (Reggio Emilia Method)

Sunshine Early Learning Academy / United States, Alamogordo

- Developed and implemented Reggio Emilia-inspired lesson plans that emphasized the importance of environment as the "third teacher" in fostering creativity and curiosity.
- Utilized natural materials and open-ended resources (e.g., blocks, fabric, clay) to enhance sensory and cognitive exploration.
- Created a classroom environment that encouraged children to explore concepts of math, science, and language through natural curiosity and collaborative play.

Teaching Assistant

May 2015 - June 2017

Rainbow's End Childcare Center / United States, Alamogordo

- Assisted lead teacher in the daily operations of the preschool classroom, supporting activities that aligned with the Reggio Emilia approach.
- Fostered a positive learning environment, ensuring each child's needs were met while encouraging exploration and independent learning.

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Education

Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education

2013 - 2017

University of New Mexico

United States, Albuquerque


Certifications


- Reggio Emilia Approach Training**, New Mexico Early Childhood Association (2020)
- CPR & First Aid Certified**, American Red Cross (2019)
- Early Childhood Education Teacher Certification**, New Mexico Public Education Department (2018)


Skills


Early Childhood Education 

Positive Reinforcement 

Emotional and Social Development Support 

Project-Based Learning 

Inquiry-Based Teaching 

Creative Art Integration 

Observation and Documentation 

Differentiated Instruction 