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Springfield, IL

#### **EDUCATION**

# Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art Education

University of Illinois – Urbana, IL Graduated: May 2017

# Child Development Certification

Illinois State University – Normal, IL Graduated: December 2016

#### **SKILLS**

- Strong knowledge of child development and art education
- Experience with various artistic media (painting, drawing, sculpture, etc.)
- Ability to adapt lesson plans to diverse learning styles
- Excellent communication and collaboration with staff and parents
- Classroom management and positive discipline techniques
- Proficient in using art supplies and tools safely with children
- Ability to assess and track children's artistic growth and development

# **GLORIA BERNARD**

#### DAYCARE ART TEACHER

#### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Passionate and creative Art Teacher with 8+ years of experience teaching young children in daycare settings. Adept at planning and implementing creative lesson plans that nurture children's cognitive, emotional, and motor skills.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

March 2021 - Now

#### **Art Teacher**

Little Sprouts Learning Center / Springfield, IL

- Design and implement engaging art activities for children ages 3 to 5, promoting creative expression, fine motor skills, and teamwork.
- Develop curriculum focusing on various art techniques, including drawing, painting, sculpting, and mixed media.
- Collaborate with the lead teacher to incorporate art into classroom themes, integrating literacy and math with creative projects.
- September 2018 February 2021

#### **Assistant Art Teacher**

Sunshine Academy Daycare / Champaign, IL

- Assisted the lead art teacher in creating lesson plans for 2-4-year-old children, focusing on sensory play and basic art skills.
- Supported the classroom by preparing materials, cleaning up after art sessions, and maintaining an organized art station.
- Worked closely with children to encourage self-expression and guided them through hands-on art activities.
- May 2017 August 2018

### **Lead Preschool Teacher (Art Focus)**

Bright Horizons Early Education / Urbana, IL

- Taught a curriculum that integrated art and creative expression with other learning domains such as language, math, and social skills.
- Fostered a learning environment where children could explore art materials, creating a space for free expression and structured lessons.
- Conducted themed art projects, focusing on seasons, holidays, and emotions, using colors, textures, and shapes.