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CAREER GOAL: I continue to work as an independent educational consultant, teacher coach, author, and keynote speaker. I offer college level course credit for the extended workshops that I do in the area of curriculum development, differentiated instruction, school restructuring, assessment, and brain-compatible learning strategies. When opportunities arise, I return to classroom teaching to refine my skills and become re-inspired by the students.

EDUCATION: San Lorenzo Valley High School, Felton, CA. Graduated 1972
Bachelor of Arts Degree, San Francisco State Univ. - Graduated 1977
Majors: Liberal Studies (Interdisciplinary Studies), Theater Arts
Masters of Arts: Human Behavior - City University 1994

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

- 1983- present** **EDUCATION CONSULTANT - Independent Contractor**
Workshops, in-services, trainings, keynote speaker in the area of Brain Compatible Learning, curriculum design, differentiated instruction, interdisciplinary teams, school restructuring, educating highly-capable learners, assessment, orchestrating learner-centered classrooms, etc.
- Spring 2008** **CLASSROOM TEACHER, TIERRA PACIFICA CHARTER SCHOOL**
Santa Cruz, CA (5th – 6th grades) Long-term substitute.
- Spring 2003** **CLASSROOM TEACHER, TIERRA PACIFICA CHARTER SCHOOL**
Santa Cruz, CA. (3rd -4th grades), Long-Term substitute for action research. Specialized in Differentiated Instruction, Authentic Learning, Alternative Assessments.
- 1993 - 1997** **LEAD TEACHER, MONARCH COMMUNITY SCHOOL**
Santa Cruz City Schools. Santa Cruz, CA, (831) 429-3434
Restructuring coordinator and intermediate classroom teacher for a multi-age (1st - 6th gr.), "demonstration" school.
- 1993 -Spring** **HUMANITIES TEACHER, 7TH GRADE - TEAM**
Mission Hill Jr. High School, Santa Cruz Schools, Santa Cruz. CA
Humanities Core teacher for ESL III students working with an interdisciplinary team.

- 1985 - 1993** **MASTER EDUCATOR, SUSAN KOVALIK & ASSOCIATES**
Educational - Learning consultant for this nationally recognized consultant group. Trainer of the Integrated Thematic Instruction Model, conference presenter, keynote speaker.
- 1988 - 1990** **STAFF DEVELOPMENT - GATE COORDINATOR**
Santa Cruz City Schools, Santa Cruz, CA
Coordinated all aspects of a variety of staff development trainings for curriculum and instruction. Also coordinated GATE identification and program development. (Part-time)
- 1987 - 1993** **DIRECTOR - TRAINER -**
BAY AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL PROJECT
San Francisco Bay Area, Grant project funded by the Packard Foundation. Wrote grant, monitored budget, created project for middle schools to form a consortium for school restructuring efforts. Trained and coached 100+ teachers. (Part-time)
- 1985 - 1991** **TRAINER - COACH,**
MID-CALIFORNIA SCIENCE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
Monterey Bay Area, grant project funded by the Packard Foundation. Trained and coached over 200 teachers on creating integrated, hands-on, science curriculum. (Part-time)
- 1983 - 1987** **CLASSROOM TEACHER - ELEMENTARY (4th - 6th grades)**
Westlake Elementary, Santa Cruz City Schools, Santa Cruz, CA
- 1979 - 1982** **TEACHER - HIGH SCHOOL -ENGLISH-THEATER ARTS**
Marello Prep High School, Santa Cruz, CA
- 1977 - 1979** **CLASSROOM TEACHER - ELEMENTARY**
Quail Hollow Elem. San Lorenzo Valley Schools, Felton, CA

PUBLICATIONS:

- 1987** **"I CAN DIVIDE AND CONQUER" A Concept in a Day. Book and Video.**
Video won the "Gold Apple" Award for Best Teacher Training Video from the National Association of Film and Video. Available through Books for Educators, Kent, WA.
- 2009** **2nd Edition "Begin With the Brain: Orchestrating the Learner-Centered Classroom." Published by Corwin Press, Thousand Oaks, CA.**
- 2005** **"Teachers, Change Your Bait! Brain Compatible Differentiated Instruction." Published by Crown House Publishers, Stamford, CT**

AWARDS:

1996 Mason-McDuffey- Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award
San Francisco Bay Area

FEATURED SPEAKER:

ASCD Annual Conferences (2000 – 2009)

ASCD Brain-based Network

Texas ASCD Annual Conference

Wisconsin ASCD Annual Conference

Connecticut ASCD Annual Conference

Best Practices Institute: University of North Carolina

Learning and the Brain Conference San Francisco, CA (2008-2010)

Annual Learning and the Brain Conference - Hope College, Michigan

Hearts and Minds Conference - Vancouver, BC and Orlando, FL

Teaching and Learning Conference - Calgary, AB and Winnipeg, MA

Learning Brain Expos - San Diego, Orlando, San Antonio, Austin (1999 – 2009)

Best Practices Institute - Columbus, GA

National Multi-age Conference - Indianapolis

Calgary Teachers' Conference - Calgary, AB

SDE National Conferences - Middle School, Upper Grades, Primary

California League of Middle Schools

California Teachers of the Deaf and Hearing Impaired

Alberta -English as a Second Language Teachers' Conference - Alberta

Middle Years Conference - Victoria, BC

More info on request...

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