

## *Stephanie Coontz*

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### *Education & Qualifications*

Master of Arts in Education (In Progress); Concentration: Literacy Education  
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI- Dean's List

Bachelor of Arts (2010); Minors: Language Arts and Social Studies  
Spring Arbor University, Spring Arbor, MI- Magna Cum Laude, Dean's List,  
Alpha Sigma Kappa Honor Society

State of Michigan Teaching License  
Elementary Education (K-8), Language Arts and Social Studies Endorsements (6-8)

Brighton High School (2006): Magna Cum Laude

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### *Professional Teaching Experience*

**Teacher at Lansing Charter Academy** **August 2012 to Present**  
**Lansing, MI ~ Third Grade**

Manage classroom responsibilities in charter school in diverse community setting. Collaborate with grade level team for planning lessons and assessments. Engage parents and families to ensure their place in child's education. Keep running records to monitor student progress. Use data from assessments and daily formative assessments to differentiate small group instruction. Taught Honors third grade class for two years.

**Woodcliff Child Care and Preschool** **September 2011 to August 2012**  
**East Grand Rapids, MI ~ Preschool-5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Plan gym games for preschool and kindergarten groups. Manage small groups of children during gym instruction, art instruction, outside time, and free choice time. Use variety of classroom management strategies, while adjusting methods and approaches for each age group.

**Instructor at Sylvan Learning Center** **April 2011 to August 2011**  
**Jackson, MI ~ Kindergarten-Secondary Education**

Assisted below grade-level students with mathematic and reading basics during hour-long sessions. Coached emergent readers in a Beginning Reading program, monitored reading progress and ability to read and decode words. Updated student work prior to each session to track their individual growth in their personalized program.

*Professional Teaching Experience Continued...*

**Long Term-Substitute Teaching** **December 2010 to June 2011**  
**Jackson Public Schools ~ K-12, All Subjects**

Handled full teacher responsibilities in a variety of classrooms. Created reading and mathematics lesson plans while serving as long-term substitute for fourth grade LEAP classroom for two weeks. Collaborated with fifth grade teachers to maintain high standards while serving as long-term substitute for fifth grade classroom for one month.

**Student Teaching** **September 2011 to December 2010**  
**Frost Elementary, Jackson, MI ~ Fourth Grade**

Worked in an inner-city community. Collaborated with fourth grade teachers in a team-teaching environment to create lesson plans based on Michigan's Grade Level Content Expectations. Led Parent Teacher Conferences and attended I.E.P. meetings for special needs students.

**Guest Teacher at Inzai Shion Kindergarten** **January 2009 to May 2009**  
**Chiba, Japan ~ Preschool/Kindergarten**

Worked at Kindergarten building and taught English sight words and common phrases to kindergarten children. Planned games and activities to improve knowledge of the English language for after-school programs for elementary students.

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*Leadership Experience*

Spring Arbor Women's Soccer Team, 4 years  
Brighton High School Soccer Team, 4 years  
OnGoal Ministries Soccer Coach, 3 years  
RivKids Children's Ministry Volunteer, 1 year  
Lansing Charter Academy Reading Committee member, 2 years  
Lansing Charter Academy Parent Outreach Committee member, 1 year

*Professional Development*

Imagine It! Curriculum Training  
Reading Street Curriculum Training  
DesCartes/ NWEA Training  
Common Core State Standards Training  
2012 Michigan Association of the Education of Young Children Conference  
6+1 Writing Traits and Lucy Calkins Writing Workshop Training