

Matthew E. Ball

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Professional Goals

To educate, inspire, and challenge students to think spatially and apply critical thinking when learning about the world and to become a varsity baseball coach.

Certification

Jul. 2011
Commonwealth of Virginia
Collegiate Professional License
Geography and History

Education

Aug. 2011
Michigan State University
College of Education
Master of Arts in Education
Concentration in Special Education

Apr. 2006
Michigan State University
College of Education
Secondary Education Certification
History and Geography

Aug. 2005
Michigan State University
College of Arts and Letters
Bachelor of Arts degree in History with a minor in Geography

Teaching Experience

Aug. 2006 – Present
Social Studies Teacher
Osborn High School, Manassas City Public Schools, Manassas, VA

- Develop and teach unit plans, lesson plans, and daily assignments for the following courses: US/VA History, World Regional Geography, and AP Human Geography
- Integrate technology to improve student achievement, including SMART Board applications, blogs, wikis, and student-developed websites
- Implement positive discipline strategies
- Member of the Freshmen Academy
- Developed school-wide curriculum for AP Human Geography based on College Board standards
- Head Junior Varsity and Assistant Varsity baseball coach

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Teaching Experience (cont.)

- Feb. 2012 – Present Strategic Instruction Model Potential Professional Developer
University of Kansas, Center for Research on Learning
- Strategic Instruction Model potential professional developer for the Content Enhancement Routines
 - Co-plan and implement professional development for educators in the Strategic Instruction Model
 - Support educators in their experience with the Strategic Instruction Model through professional coaching as outlined by the Center for Research and Learning at the University of Kansas

Internship Experience

- Aug. 2005 – Apr. 2006 Student Intern
Eppler Junior High School, Utica Community Schools, Utica, MI
- Created and implemented unit plans, lesson plans, and daily assignments for 7th grade Geography for three marking periods
 - Created and implemented unit plans, lesson plans, and daily assignments for 9th grade US History for one marking period
 - Assistant Coach for freshmen baseball
 - Assisted Eppler JH in acquiring North Central Accreditation and applying to become a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
 - Social Studies Olympiad Advisor

Michigan State University Field Placements

- Sept. 2004 – Apr. 2005 Lansing Eastern High School, Lansing Public Schools, Lansing, MI
Oct. 2003 – Dec. 2003 Dwight Rich Middle School, Lansing Public Schools, Lansing, MI

Teaching Related Work Experience

- Aug. 2003 – May 2005 Senior Resident Mentor
Michigan State University, Department of Residence Life, Bailey Hall
- Sept. 2002 – Dec. 2002 History Tutor
East Lansing HS, East Lansing Public Schools, East Lansing, MI
- Jul. 2004 – Aug. 2006 Student Assistant
Center for Geographic Information, State of Michigan, Lansing, MI

Technology

- Proficient in Microsoft applications; including Word, PowerPoint, and Excel
- Proficient in SMART Board applications
- Created and maintain class and baseball team websites using Google Sites and Weebly
- Developed online learning modules using Moodle and Coursesites