

# Amanda A. Thompson

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## Highly Qualified Teacher

*Seeking to provide a positive classroom environment where all students  
are challenged to achieve and succeed*

### Teaching Experience:

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#### Private Tutor

2009

- *Provided one-on-one instruction in literacy and mathematics for at-risk students*
- *Planned and administered learning activities geared toward individual learning styles*
- *Conducted ongoing assessments to monitor student learning and progress*

#### Substitute Teacher

2003 – 2006; 2007 – Present

- *Managed classrooms using existing procedures and implementing new techniques*
- *Instructed students using established and self-created plans*
- *Guided student learning using a variety of methods*

#### Title I Instructional Assistant

Pine Avenue Elementary School  
Alma, MI

2006 – 2007

- *Instructed small groups and individual students in reading and mathematics*
- *Supported students and assisted teachers during classroom activities*
- *Supervised students and provided conflict resolution guidance during daily activities*
- *Tutored students in after-school mathematics and reading enrichment program*

#### Student Teacher (Fourth Grade)

Bangor West Elementary School  
Bay City, MI

2004

- *Designed and presented engaging lessons and units across the curriculum*
- *Assessed student learning and incorporated results into lesson planning and activities*
- *Maintained a learning-conductive classroom incorporating a variety of teaching techniques*
- *Communicated with parents during impromptu communications and professionally-conducted conferences*

#### Camp Session Presenter and Student Mentor

Saginaw Valley Regional Math/Science Center  
University Center, MI

1999-2000

- *Stimulated student learning and interest by presenting hands-on science activities*
- *Mentored students during learning camp sessions and recreational events*
- *Assisted other teachers during lessons and experiments*

### Skills and Additional Training:

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| • <i>Positive Behavioral Support</i>               | • <i>Accelerated Reader and Math</i>                  | • <i>Michigan Literacy Progress Profile</i>     |
| • <i>Differentiated Instruction</i>                | • <i>Literature Circles</i>                           | • <i>Lucy Calkins Writer's Workshop</i>         |
| • <i>Math and Literacy Intervention Techniques</i> | • <i>Classroom Management Strategies - Elementary</i> | • <i>Developing Literacy in Early Childhood</i> |
| • <i>Best Teaching Practices</i>                   | • <i>Technology in the Classroom</i>                  |   |
| • <i>MEAP Preparation and Administration</i>       |   |   |

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## ***Education and Certification:***

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**Saginaw Valley State University**  
*Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education*  
*English and Natural Science Minors*  
GPA: 3.97

**State of Michigan**  
*Provisional Elementary Certificate*  
*K-5 All Subjects (K-8 Self-Contained Classroom)*  
*K-8 Integrated Science (pending)*  
*K-8 Language Arts (pending)*

## ***Professional References:***

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**Linda Boyd**  
*Principal,*  
*Fancher Elementary School*

**Mary Nelson**  
*Fourth Grade Teacher,*  
*Bangor Township Schools*

**Diane Bunzow**  
*Education Coordinator,*  
*Jo-Ann ETC*

**Susan Wetters**  
*Field Placement Coordinator,*  
*Saginaw Valley State University*

**Donna Swain**  
*Retired Teacher,*  
*Midland Public Schools*

**Tammi Marvin**  
*Office/Retail Manager,*  
*Bambi Lake Conference Center*