

# Joshua Kairis

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## **Objective**

To find a teaching opportunity where I can use my passion for teaching and technology to enhance student learning.

## **Education**

### **National-Louis University, Elgin IL**

Master of Arts in Elementary Education (K-9). Graduated: August 2009.  
Certification: Type 03

### **North Central College, Naperville IL**

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science. Graduated: June 2003

## **Professional Teaching Experiences**

### **Adjunct Faculty Member - Judson University (1/2010 – 5/2010)**

- Developed and taught curriculum for the course, *Technology Instruction for Teachers of Language Minority Students*
- Collaborated with Dean of the School of Education for future technology purchases.
- Organized and hosted a Technology Night at Otter Creek Elementary school.

### **Substitute Teacher - School District U-46 (9/2009 – 6/2010)**

- Taught in primary regular education and bilingual classrooms.
- Followed lesson plans left by the teacher, and communicated with teacher by writing comprehensive notes about the day.

### **Computer Instructor - Otter Creek Elementary School (8/2003 – 1/2006)**

- Collaborated with teachers to create a technology curriculum.  
(Visit <http://www.tr4ee.org/> for more details)
- Developed, prepared, and taught technology lessons to support curriculum and supplement classroom curriculum.
- Consulted with teachers and students to develop educational software to help students practice technology and classroom skills.
- Served on building technology committee.

## **Related Work Experience**

### **District Computer Technician - Geneva CUSD 304 (1/2006 – 9/2009)**

- Provided support to five elementary buildings and central office.
- Coordinated efforts with teachers, administrators, and support staff to support the use of technology in the buildings.
- Taught professional development courses on technology.
- Organized and set up all technology in a new elementary building.

## **Professional Preparation**

### **Otter Creek Elementary School, School District U-46, 1st Grade (1/2009 – 6/2009)**

#### Student Teaching & Practicum 2

- Worked with cooperating teacher and social worker to develop and utilize a behavior plan for students.
- Created and implemented a classroom publishing system for students to publish their writing.
- Integrated “The Daily 5 Management System” into classroom routine.
- Designed, prepared, and taught lessons in every subject area.
- Developed and taught thematic science, social studies, and writing units.

### **Coultrap Elementary School, Geneva CUSD 304, 4th Grade (8/2007 – 11/2007)**

#### Practicum 1

- Taught lessons that integrated technology with reading skills.
- Graded papers, recorded scores, and worked with small groups.

## **Skills & Interests**

- Skilled at computer programming and web site design.
- Experienced in video production and digital photography.
- Developed educational software for math, spelling, and typing skills.
- Created educational software tools for teachers.

## **References**

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