

## **Jennifer Castro**

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### **Instruction and Technology Coach**

I offer a proven track record of highly praised performance teaching, creating and leading professional development and coaching both in the synchronous and asynchronous setting. I have a passion for facilitating learning and optimizing every person's ability to grow and be successful.

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### **Experience**

#### **Canyons School District**

- Instruction and Technology Coach 07/28/22 - Present

#### **Key Contributions:**

- Use and analyze data to develop and provide professional development, professional learning communities (PLCs) and coaching cycles to enact change and build leadership from within the school site
- Work with content specialists to design and adapt curriculum to meet student and staff needs
- Collect and analyze data in order to coach teachers in classrooms and in the PLC environment to enact change and develop stronger teaching and assessment practices
- Mine, analyze and present data to school site staff, administration and district personnel related to instructional outcomes and student achievement data.
- Assist, manage and train teachers and administration on education technology platforms that are current, relevant and most effective

#### **Teacher for Teachers Education Consulting - Remote and In Person [My personal business]**

- Instructional Consultant 01/01/21 - Present

#### **Key Contributions:**

- Speak at conferences and school district level trainings in order to develop and maintain business relationships with new and existing clients
- Use Social Media and Email Marketing to develop and maintain clients
- Develop and plan professional development and coaching plans based on data analysis and client expressed areas of need
- Develop and provide professional development and coaching related to mathematics, co-teaching, educational technology, engagement and special education instruction

#### **Houghton Mifflin Harcourt - Remote and In Person**

- Instructional Consultant 05/01/21 - 07/15/2022

#### **Key Contributions:**

- Lead Professional Development training related to mathematics curriculum
- Lead and plan district Professional Learning Communities around mathematics curriculum implementation
- Plan and facilitate English Language Learner for Mathematics and Special Education teachers trainings
- Teach demonstration lessons in classes of teachers that I coach and provide professional development
- Coach mathematics teachers to develop stronger delivering, planning and assessment methods

#### **Gex Publishing - Consultant (remote)**

- Design and edit curriculum for a major K-12 curriculum company

#### **Animo Watts College Preparatory Academy - GREEN DOT PUBLIC SCHOOLS Los Angeles, CA**

- Education Specialist 08/05/10 - 06/15/21
- Mathematics teacher (Math Intervention, Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, College Prep and Pre-Calculus)
- Professional Development Leader for Special Education (School District) 08/13-06/16

- Instructional Leadership Committee (School Site) 08/12-06/16
- Green Dot Instructional Leadership Team (School District) 08/12-06/16
- New Teacher Mentor (School Based) 08/12-07/14

### **Los Angeles County of Education – Downey, CA (Online Adult Education)**

VPSS Online Course Moderator(Mathematics and English) 06/12-01/18

- Adult credential certification course (online educator)
- Correct and provide feedback to course materials completed by students
- Provide feedback to course creators for more effective videos, methods of presentation of information, methods of analyzing teacher understanding and rubrics used for grading

### **Goalbook Toolkit – (Online Curriculum and Project Development)**

Goalbook Toolkit Virtual Content and Curriculum Creator 02/15-03/16

- Create online core standards aligned projects for middle and high school mathematics
- Align projects to student ability from below grade level to above grade level
- Differentiate modality and access to project materials for all learners
- Work collaboratively with an editor to create the most effective and engaging project possible

### **California State Los Angeles – Mentor Teacher (Intern Special Education Program)**

- Supervise and mentor an intern teacher for 1 school year in my classroom
- Sculpt intern teacher into a confident first year teacher with guidance and gradual release of responsibility with all aspects of being an Education Specialist

### **Education & Credentials**

#### **LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY — Los Angeles, CA**

- BA, Business Law, May 2008
- MA, Education Specialist, May, 2012
- California Education Specialist Credential (Age 3-22), 05/2012

#### **LOS ANGELES COUNTY OF EDUCATION (LACOE) – Downey, CA**

- California Clear Credential, Education Specialist: Completed 05/2015

### **Awards & Recognition**

- Nominee Finalist for the "Dotties" (Green Dot Public Schools Annual Awards Banquet): March 2014, March 2015
- Teacher of the Month (Animo Watts College Preparatory Academy): October 2012, January 2013, November 2013, January 2015, October 2016, January 2018, February 2020, April 2021 (nominated by teachers)
- Teacher of the Year (Animo Watts College Preparatory Academy): June 2014 (nominated by administrative team), June 2016 (nominated by administrators and teachers)
- Heroes in Education (Los Angeles Unified School District): January 2015 (Nominated by Principal Abraham DeVilliers)

### **Languages (Other than English)**

Spanish:

- Conversationally fluent
- Fluent in reading and writing