

## **JOSHUA SUCHERMAN**

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### **OBJECTIVE**

Educational Leader who is committed to creating a school culture that provides students with 21<sup>st</sup> century skills. Dedicated to maintaining a positive learning environment that fosters student success and empowers teachers to cultivate growth amongst their students.

### **EDUCATION**

#### **Masters in School Administration with Principal Certification**

**July 2020**

Lindenwood University, St. Charles, Missouri

GPA: 4.0

#### **Bachelor of Fine Arts, Emphasis on Art Education**

**December 2010**

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois

Major: Art Education | Minor: Art History

### **CERTIFICATION**

- Colorado Principal License – School Principal (K-12)  
Number: 24419409
- Missouri School Leader Certificate - Admin Classification (K-12)
- Colorado Professional Teaching License – Visual Arts (K-12)  
Number: 334279
- Missouri Career Continuous Professional Certificate – Art (K-12)
- Certified LEAP Evaluator
- IB Visual Arts Certified
- ELA Certified

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- Teacher of the Year at Lemasters Elementary, 2019
- Masters School Administration Program w/ principal cert - Summa cum laude, 2020

## **PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

### **Senior Team Lead – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Department**

**- Denver Public Schools**

**- Northfield High School**

**- Denver, Colorado; July 2022 - Current**

- Leads 9<sup>th</sup> grade Dept to ensure 90% of Freshman are On Track to Graduate
- Facilitates 9<sup>th</sup> Grade data driven PLCs throughout school year to close identified gaps
- Evaluates, coaches, and leads 9<sup>th</sup> grade teachers in their pedagogical practices
- Tracks 9<sup>th</sup> grade data and adjusts practices within dept to address changes
- Active member of Northfield High School's Instructional Leadership Team
- Certified LEAP evaluator
- Engages in weekly observations and data learning cycles with teachers to support classroom management, instructional rigor, and student engagement.
- Leads bi-weekly 9<sup>th</sup> grade cohort meetings centered around students and MTSS interventions to promote equity and increase student performance
- Co-created Northfield's first Black Excellence Plan and Si Se Puede Plan to foster equitable practices within the school and community
- Has demonstrated tangible growth for students within 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Department and supports elective teachers with SLOs around SAT reading and writing.

### **Senior Team Lead – Electives Department**

**- Denver Public Schools**

**- Northfield High School**

**- Denver, Colorado; July 2021 – June 2022**

- Senior Team Leader over Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Music, P.E, and Dance.
- Active member of Northfield High School's Instructional Leadership Team
- Evaluated as distinguished teacher within LEAP framework
- Engaged in weekly observations and data learning cycles with teachers to support classroom management, instructional rigor, and student engagement.
- Led weekly department PD's and data driven meetings around SLO's and schoolwide data to promote equity and increase student performance
- Has demonstrated tangible growth for students within Electives Department and supports core content classes by focusing Elective SLOs around SAT reading and writing.

### **Team Leader and Teacher Mentor, Beginning Teacher Assistance Program**

**- Riverview Gardens School District**

**- St. Louis, Missouri; August 2014 – May 2020**

- Engaged in weekly observation and feedback cycles with mentees/teachers to support classroom management, instructional rigor, and student engagement.
- Led monthly data driven meetings and coaching cycles on classroom management, climate and culture, and building positive rapport in order to increase attendance and lower discipline referrals.
- Led staff in professional development sessions on utilizing positive reinforcement systems in the classroom
- Developed and implemented PBIS systems and Restorative Justice programs that decreased student referrals and discipline infractions by over 50% from previous years.

- Led yearly initiatives that decreased our school's discipline referrals and suspensions by over 50% and increased our student attendance by over 10%.
- Regularly hosted school wide Morning Assemblies & Announcements

## **Professional Teaching Experience**

### **9-12 Art Teacher**

- **Denver Public Schools**
- **Northfield High School**
- **Denver, Colorado; August 2020 – Current**

- Rated Effective-Distinguished since starting at DPS
- Worked with the administration team to develop and adjust school wide plans for all students to return to in person learning during the covid pandemic
- Implements daily art lessons incorporating Kagan and Marzano strategies
- Sets up, maintains, and facilitates school wide Visual Art Showcases with the High School Art Department
- Brings in professional guest artists to speak to students
- Certified as an IB Art Teacher in Visual Arts at an Innovation School
- Taught Advanced Placement / International Baccalaureate Art Classes
- Planned and developed IB art curriculum focusing on student process portfolio, comparative studies, and exhibitions

### **K-5 Elementary Art Teacher**

- **Riverview Gardens School District**
- **Lemasters Elementary and Meadows Elementary, Title 1**
- **St. Louis, Missouri; August 2011 – May 2020**

- Planned and developed K-5 art curriculum focusing on creation of art, art history, and art theory
- Developed and implemented inter-disciplinary enrichment program infusing literacy into Fine Arts and co-created school murals
- Collaborated and consulted with staff and teachers to implement literacy, numeracy, and art history in content lessons
- Founded the Lemasters Makerspace at Lemasters Elementary in 2018 to promote critical thinking, problem solving, creativity, and peer collaboration
- Differentiated instruction and assessment practices to address the individual needs of students with disabilities
- Organized & Participated in nine district wide Fine Arts Showcases, 2012-2019

## **ABOUT ME**

- Check out my website! [www.joshuasucherman.com](http://www.joshuasucherman.com)
- I love spending time with my wife and 2 dogs
- I am passionate about science, space, and the outdoors. I enjoy backpacking, camping, snowboarding, good food, and hiking big mountains!