

BRIAN GRUNKOWSKI

THEATRE DIRECTOR & TEACHER

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career objective

Life-long learning professional with experience in theatre teaching and directing, instructional programming, and creating curriculum. Aiming to continue growing as a theatre artist, professional, and teacher. Invested in growing as a director, acting teacher, playwright, and designer.

experience

Aug 2015 - Present

HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE TEACHER

Plano Independent School District, Plano, TX

- Increased opportunities for musical theatre.
- Directed 5 shows per season.
- Designed curriculum and taught International Baccalaureate (IB) Theatre class.
- Prepared students to audition for college theatre programs.
- Wrote and directed two original adaptations of classic works.
- Created children's theatre production bringing fifth graders from our feeder schools in to watch our show.

Aug 2009 - Jun 2015

HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE DIRECTOR & TEACHER

Frisco Independent School District, Frisco, TX

- Opened new school in inaugural year. Established traditions.
- Created summer Shakespeare Series festival.

education

Aug 2003

BACHELOR OF ARTS (B.A.) IN INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX

Awards & Honors

Cum Laude

Aug 2008

MASTER OF ARTS OF TEACHING (M.A.T) IN SCIENCE EDUCATION

University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX

Aug 2023

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION- THEATRE PEDAGOGY

GPA **4.0**

Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Durant, OK

- Built successful children's theatre summer camp with 100 campers K-5.
- Translated & adapted 3 productions of classics.
- Chosen Teacher of the Year 2014-2015.

Aug 2003 - Jun 2009

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER

Frisco Independent School District, Frisco, TX

- Taught fourth and fifth grades.
- Created science curriculum used district-wide.
- Presented Professional Development workshops in Science.
- Created after school drama program for fourth and fifth graders.

skills

- Instructional Design
- Differentiated Instruction
- Hands-On Learning
- Professional Development
- Arts Integration
- College Preparation

certifications

- Texas Teacher Certification (EC-12 Theatre)
- Texas Teacher Certification (EC-6 Generalist)

languages

SPANISH

Bilingual