Claire Donovan

ELEMENTARY LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALIST

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Certificates

Virginia Teaching License, School Librarian PreK-12 Endorsement

Virginia Department of Education

07/2022

Skills

Library Instruction

Collection Development

Destiny Library Manager

Digital Citizenship

Google Classroom • Seesaw

Research Skills

Reading Promotion

Curriculum Collaboration

Communication Skills

Summary

Elementary library media specialist with 4 years running a K-5 library for 640 students, after 4 years as a third grade teacher. Teaches weekly library lessons, builds a love of reading through book clubs and author visits, and works with teachers to integrate research skills and digital tools into classroom instruction.

Experience

Elementary Library Media Specialist 08/2022 - Present

Forest Hill Park Elementary School Richmond, VA

Sole librarian at a K-5 school with 640 students and 45 staff.

- Teach **28** weekly library classes on book selection, research basics and digital citizenship for grades K-5.
- Collaborate with grade-level teams on 8 research projects a year, from animal reports to state history units.
- Manage a 14,000-book collection in Destiny Library Manager, adding 700 titles and weeding 900 each year.
- Launch a schoolwide reading challenge and 2 author visits a year, raising checkouts per student from 18 to 26.

Third Grade Teacher 08/2018 - 06/2022

Forest Hill Park Elementary School Richmond, VA

Classroom teacher of 24 students a year.

- Planned and taught reading, writing and social studies for **24** students, with 88% passing state reading tests.
- Integrated Google Classroom and Seesaw into daily lessons during remote and hybrid learning.
- Partnered with the school librarian on a biography research unit taught to all 4 third grade classes.

Education

Master of Science in Education 05/2022

Old Dominion University Norfolk, VA

Library Science