# **Amy Jo Starr**

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#### **Objective**

Reflective education leader seeking to support a learning community with a commitment to student growth, development, and academic excellence

#### **Education**

B.S., Family Social Science, University of Minnesota, August 2002 Masters of Education/Initial Licensure, Family and Consumer Science,

University of Minnesota, June 2004

Administrative Licensure, K - 12 Principal, Hamline University, Anticipated March 2011

Urban Teaching Certificate, Hamline University, Anticipated Spring 2011

# Leadership and Administrative Experience

Administrative Intern, Eagle Ridge Junior High, Gideon Pond Elementary School, and

Burnsville Area Learning Center Savage, MN

**Dates:** 9/2009 - 7/2010

**Responsibilities:** Address student behavior issues utilizing a positive discipline approach; articulate acceptable behavior and the applicable school policy; administer appropriate consequences; communicate with parents/guardians regarding attendance, dismissals and suspensions; intervene in physical altercations; restrain threatening students; conduct searches; counsel students using conflict prevention and mediation techniques; evaluate and coach teachers; facilitate Professional Learning Communities; oversee security of students and staff during passing time, breakfast and lunch, busses, bomb threat drills, fire drills, and lock downs.

#### Department Chair, Eagle Ridge Junior High

**Dates:** 9/2009 - present

**Responsibilities:** Create school improvement plan with School Leadership Team; manage department funds; facilitate department meetings; attend area lead meetings.

#### Professional Learning Community Facilitator, Eagle Ridge Junior High

**Dates:** 9/2009 - present

**Responsibilities:** Create school action plan to support schoolwide student achievement goal; collaborate with building principal regarding focus and needs of building PLC's; facilitate PLC groups; review the professional development plan and activities of PLC to ensure timeliness; accurate records and progress towards site goals; facilitate peer observations; coach teachers; train staff in the performance appraisal process.

#### Co-President of PTSO, Richfield Dual Language School

Dates: 2007 - 2009

**Duties:** Presided at and facilitated all PTSO Meetings; prepared a written agenda for each meeting; coordinated and organized fundraising; coordinated special schools events; collaborated with teachers and staff to meet the needs of the school.

#### Student Council Advisor, Maple Grove Junior High

Dates: 2005 - 2008

**Duties:** Supervised student council members; administered school store; assisted in the coordination and implementation of community service, and facilitated fundraising.

Teaching Experience

Eagle Ridge Junior High Savage, MN

Dates: 8/2008- present

Title: Family and Consumer Science Teacher

**Responsibilities:** Facilitate student learning in FACS 7, FACS 8, Teen Issues and Foods 9; develop and implement curriculum; manage budget for department; communicate with parents; utilize various learning strategies for diverse populations; integrate technology into daily lessons; served on calendar and safety committees; establish and maintain relationships with students, parents and colleagues.

## Osseo Senior High School and Maple Grove Junior High Osseo, MN

Dates: 8/2005 - 6/2008

Title: Family and Consumer Science Teacher

**Responsibilities:** Facilitated student learning in Food Prep, Meal Prep, Interpersonal Relationships, Child Development, FACS 7 and FACS 8; developed and implemented curriculum aligned with Minnesota State Standards; communicated with parents; utilized various learning strategies for diverse populations; integrated technology into daily lessons; served as teacher leader on Teacher Advisory Team; established and maintained relationships with students, parents and colleagues.

#### Agua Fria Union High School Avondale, AZ

**Dates:** 7/2004 - 5/2005

Title: Family and Consumer Science Teacher

**Responsibilities:** Taught courses in Child Development, Business Management Technology, and Life FACS; developed curriculum aligned with Arizona State Standards; promoted parental involvement; mapped curriculum; tutored reading; homebound tutor.

### Minnesota Department of Education Roseville, MN

Dates: 10/1998-5/2004

Title: Office and Administrative Specialist

**Responsibilities:** Served as a record keeper for the Minnesota Academic Standards committees, maintained databases, files, and budget expenditures for statewide Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate programs; answered phones; scheduled/planned meetings; assisted with mass mailings; made copies and provided clerical support; created documents using Microsoft Word, Excel, Access, Power Point, Outlook and Scanning software.

#### Minnesota Organization on Adolescent Pregnancy, Prevention & Parenting St. Paul, MN

*Dates:* 3/2002 – 1/2003

Title: Community Program Coordinator Intern

**Responsibilities:** Served as the program coordinator for May Teen Pregnancy Awareness Month and October Let's Talk Month; organized and facilitated a metro-wide collaborative of diverse organizations; disseminated accurate information on teen pregnancy prevention; worked directly with at-risk youth; organized speakers; maintained database and budget expenditures.