# **ERICA ALLEN**

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Dedicated student teacher with a strong passion for fostering musical growth in students. Skilled in creating engaging lesson plans and cultivating a positive classroom environment. Committed to guiding and inspiring the next generation of musicians. Eager to contribute knowledge and skills to the school's education team.

## | PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# Grassfield High School - Student Intern

Chesapeake, VA • 10/2023 - Current

- Develops lesson plans that cultivate student engagement and learning
- Implements and enforces appropriate classroom management techniques
- Works with classroom teacher to learn about current standards and best practices

## Western Branch Middle School - Student Intern

Chesapeake, VA • 08/2023 - 10/2023

- Gained experience working with students with diverse learning needs
- Facilitated small group activities and one-on-one instruction to meet individual student needs
- Observed and practiced effective strategies to manage the learning environment
- Developed and implemented assessments and lessons with the goal of impacting student learning
- Received feedback from structured observations with suggestions for improvement from the clinical faculty and university supervisor

### Kempsville High School - Concert Band Technician

Virginia Beach, VA • 11/2022 - 11/2022

- Focused on teaching trumpet pedagogical and practicing techniques to help students develop further as musicians
- Applied trumpet techniques in concert band music
- Led full brass sectionals focusing on techniques and applying them in music

# Jolliff Middle School - Practicum Student

Chesapeake, VA • 04/2022 - 05/2022

 Worked with classroom teacher to learn about current standards and best practices in a middle school setting

## SKILLS

- Group Instruction
- Student Engagement
- Lesson Plan Development
- Safety Procedures
- Leadership

### **EDUCATION**

Old Dominion University

Norfolk, VA • Expected in 12/2023

Bachelor of Music, Music Education:

Instrumental K-12

• 3.72 GPA

### CERTIFICATIONS

- Child Abuse and Neglect: Recognizing, Reporting, and Responding for Educators, Virginia Department of Social Services -2021
- Cultural Competency, Virginia
  Department of Education 2022
- **Dyslexia Awareness**, Virginia Department of Education 2022
- Regulations Governing the Use of Restraint and Seclusion in Elementary and Secondary Schools in Virginia, Old Dominion University -2023
- Virginia Communication and Literacy
  Assessment 2023
- PRAXIS Content Knowledge Assessment (Music) - 2023
- Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED,
  American Red Cross 2023

# LEADERSHIP

Old Dominion University Monarch Marching Band

Head Trumpet Section Leader | August 2020

- March 2022

- Designed lessons for students using various teaching methods and modern classroom technologies
- Taught students how to count rhythms and play it on their instruments using lesson plans developed with the classroom teacher

# Windsor Oaks Elementary School - Practicum Student

Virginia Beach, VA • 09/2021 - 12/2021

- Worked with classroom teacher to learn about current standards and best practices in the elementary classroom
- Designed lessons for students using various teaching methods and modern classroom technologies
- Taught students how to play the recorder with proper finger and breathing techniques using lesson plans developed with the classroom teacher

- Conducted music rehearsals in a marching band setting
- Implemented different marching techniques in sectionals
- Led and managed up to 18 peers
- Delegated tasks to sub-section leaders within the section