

## **KELLY PECORA**

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**OBJECTIVE:** Motivated MLIS professional looking to obtain Librarian II position with the City of Virginia Beach Public Libraries. Excellent verbal and written communication skills. Strong background in early childhood education and skilled in designing and implementing developmentally appropriate programs and activities.

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

#### **Librarian I**

March 2023- Present

City of Virginia Beach

- Prepare and conduct library tours including early literacy classes and storytime, and tours for school groups, community organizations and the public.
- Prepare, present, and evaluate group training classes on library technology and resources to Library and city staff, customers, and community groups.
- Cultivate and maintain community partnerships to provide programming, resources, and materials to support lifelong learning.
- Plan, market, present, and evaluate specialized and complex programs and classes that reflect the library's strategic initiatives and increase public awareness of library services and resources.
- Maintain an up-to-date awareness of popular authors, materials and culture, current events, and trends to recognize and respond to customers information needs and staff requests.
- Oversee the library branch and staff as needed including, cash reconciliation, maintain and interpreting data and opening and closing procedures.

#### **Library Programming Specialist**

September 2019- March 2023

City of Virginia Beach

- Facilitate library customers' requests for information. Conduct reference interviews to clarify information needs of customers.
- Provide early literacy-based programs for children ages birth to 12 years old.
- Develop appropriate search strategies and identify appropriate resources to respond to customer requests. Instruct customer on print and non-print materials in the library catalog including electronic resources and equipment.
- Research professional journals and participate in professional organizations for continuing education. Maintain an ongoing knowledge of reading trends.
- Provide outreach services and maintain community partnerships with schools and daycares across the library system. Promote the library's collection and services and act as a representative for the library in the community.

**Tutor**

October 2018 –June 2020

Keystone Education Services

- Create customized tutoring and instructional approaches to meet the diverse needs of my students.
- Tutor in Middle and High school English and Math in a one-on-one setting. Guide students in notetaking, organization, and test-taking strategies.
- Monitor student progress and communicate with parents to meet their educational goals.

**Owner/Teacher**

January 2012-September 2019

Kelly's Family Day School

- Provide superior care for children ranging from the ages of 6 weeks to 6 years old.
- Teach using the Creative Curriculum and supervise structured learning time.
- Develop lesson plans to implement for each education level.
- Keep detailed records of lesson plans and progress of students' educational development.

**EDUCATION:**

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

May 2022-Present

- Working toward Masters in Library and Information Science. To be completed Dec 2023.
- GPA- 4.0
- Awarded Friends of Virginia Beach Public Library Scholarship.

Relevant coursework- Management and Leadership in Library and Information Studies, Children's Literature Across the Curriculum, Knowledge Organization and Access and Knowledge Resources: Planning, Selecting and Managing Collections.

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

May 2015- May 2020

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude with B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies. Concentration in Special Education
- GPA- 3.91

Tidewater Community College, Virginia Beach, VA

January 2012 -May 2015

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude with an Associate's degree in Social Science.
- GPA 3.90