

JODIE STEWART-RUCK

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EDUCATION:

2007	College of St. Rose	MEd School Administration
2005	Pace University	MST Adolescent Education
2002	United States Fulbright Grant	Education-based research/teaching
2001	Hamilton College	BA World Politics

CERTIFICATIONS:

Vermont Certificate of Eligibility-Principal K-12
Vermont Certificate of Eligibility-Social Studies 7-12
New York State School Building Leader
New York State School District Leader
New York State Teachers Certification Social Studies 7-12

WORK EXPERIENCE:

2017-Present **Mill River Union Unified School District, Clarendon, VT**

Director of Personalized Learning

- Works collaboratively with district leadership team to develop and implement professional development centered on proficiency-based learning and personalization
- Works to design and assist in implementation of k-12 personalized learning plans and student led conferences
- Principal stakeholder in the design and implementation of proficiency-based graduation requirements, flexible pathways, and 7-12 advisory curriculum
- Coaches school leaders and teachers in the use of proficiency-based and personalized learning
- Member of the district leadership team

2016-2017 **Mill River Union School, Clarendon VT**

Dean of Students/Proficiency-Based Learning Coach

- Provide district-level professional coaching to teachers in four elementary schools and one high school in the use of PBL to advance student learning
- Plan and present professional development sessions on proficiency-based learning
- Conduct all HHB investigations district-wide

2013-2016 **Mill River Union School, Clarendon VT**

Dean of Students/Personalized Learning Plan Coordinator

- Responsible for school disciplinary issues
- Provided social emotional programming
- Collaborated on change to school-based restorative justice program
- Worked closely with administration and school board to pro-actively apply school policies
- Helped develop and implement PLP curriculum and tools

2008-October 2012
Assistant Principal

VPA Expeditionary Learning Academy, Bronx, NY

- Supervised, coached and evaluated 40 teachers and staff members
- Partnered with NYC Outward Bound and Expeditionary Learning
- Responsible for school programming, scheduling, and data management
- Supervised the special education and English language learner programs
- Collaborated with Principal to align yearly budget to student needs
- Developed and implemented a variety of professional development initiatives
- Responsible for state, national and local compliance issues as well as testing, special education law, and safety and security concerns
- Organized community and parent events
- Directed school-wide initiatives in mastery-based grading, standards-based assessment, interdisciplinary planning, inquiry-based teaching, and character education

2006-2008

Secondary School for Law, Brooklyn, NY

Program Chair/ Teacher

- Worked with a variety of systems to create teacher, student, and whole-school schedules
- Charged with maintaining and updating transcripts and other legal records
- Managed teacher absences and substitute coverages
- Taught classes in 8th grade and 11th grade United States history
- Middle school peer mediation coordinator
- Taught contract, civil and housing law to students in grade 8

2003-2006

I.S. 291 Roland Hayes School, Brooklyn, NY

Conflict Resolution Coordinator/ Teacher

- Implemented a conflict resolution and mediation curriculum with students in grades 6-8
- Taught 7th and 8th grade United States history
- Ran a school-wide peer mediation and progressive discipline program
- Participated in the New York City Teaching Fellows Program

2003-2005

Touro College, Brooklyn, NY

Adjunct Lecturer

- Adjunct Lecturer for a graduate course entitled, "Positive Discipline and Behavioral Management" and LAST Exam preparatory courses

2002-2003

BrokerageAmerica, New York, NY

Assistant to the Senior Vice President of Trading and Operations

- Responsible for solving commission disputes and maintenance of the commission system
- Assisted senior management with various projects including the implementation of new operations systems and reconciling financial statements

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCES:

2017

Proficiency-Based Learning Symposium, Castleton, VT. Presenter: Looking at Models for Planning and Assessing in a Proficiency-Based Classroom

2015

Vermont Principals Association Leadership Academy, Killington, VT. Presenter: Personalized Learning Plans at Mill River Union School

2010-2013

Billy Weeks Foundation, NY, NY. Board Member.

2010

Debra Meier Symposium, NY, NY. Presenter: Using Student Led Conferences as Assessment for and of Learning

2009

Expeditionary Learning National Conference, St. Louis MS. Presenter: Using Student Led Conferences as Assessment for and of Learning

2007-2009

Ashoka's Youth Venture, NY, NY. Board Member.

2007

NYC Social Studies Materials Review, New York, NY

2007

Melinda Grady Ardia Environmental Grant Award, Brooklyn, NY

