



MICHAEL ANDERSON

Director of Special Education

Proactive Special Education Academic Advisor with a rich background in educational leadership and advocacy. Over the past 11 years, I have cultivated expertise in navigating the complexities of special education laws, compliance, and best practices. My experience includes working with school districts to develop and implement effective special education programs that address the needs of diverse learners.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Director of Special Education

2020-2023

Oakwood School District

- Oversaw the development and implementation of district-wide special education programs.
- Conducted regular audits to ensure compliance with state and federal regulations.
- Coordinated professional development for staff on special education laws and best practices.
- Collaborated with community partners to enhance resources available to students.
- Facilitated meetings with parents to discuss program updates and gather feedback.
- Implemented data-driven strategies to improve student outcomes across the district.

Special Education Coordinator

2019-2020

Lakeview Academy

- Developed individualized education plans for students in collaboration with multidisciplinary teams.
- Evaluated student progress and adjusted educational strategies accordingly.
- Organized parent workshops to educate families about available special education resources.
- Advocated for student needs at IEP meetings and school board discussions.
- Facilitated staff training on culturally responsive teaching practices.
- Monitored the implementation of accommodations to ensure effectiveness.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Increased district graduation rates for special education students by 15% within three years.
- Awarded 'Leadership in Education' by the state for exceptional contributions to special education.
- Successfully launched a mentorship program that paired students with disabilities with peer mentors.

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Education in Special Education Leadership

University of Education
2016

SKILLS

- Program Development
- Compliance Management
- Training Facilitation
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Advocacy
- Data Analysis

LANGUAGES

- English
- Spanish
- French