## Elisa G. Allan

8813 Almond Rd, Lakeside, CA 92040 • (619) 663-7152 • elisagallan@gmail.com www.linkedin.com/in/elisaallan • Twitter.com/MrsAllanOnline

- Demonstrated ability to facilitate the learning of ideas, values, and concepts
- Dedicated to helping students succeed
- Proven ability to communicate effectively with students, parents, faculty, and staff

## **Leadership Contributions**

#### Student Empowerment Curriculum Development, Lesson Developer

Jan 2020 - Current, Cajon Valley Union School District - El Cajon, CA

- Developed lessons geared toward empowering students in grades K-12 to understand and be aware of their personal finances, career and college options, and paths to help them to their desired goals.
- Collaborated with a team of developers to develop and provide feedback in the creation of this curriculum.
- Developed lessons in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Education, Director of Federal Student Aid

### **Modern Teacher, Montgomery Middle School Cohort**

Feb 2020 - Current, Cajon Valley Union School District - El Cajon, CA

- Modern Teacher is a proven methodology for personalized learning at scale.
- Learning and implementing researched practices for better personalized learning experiences that empowers students to take charge of their learning.
- Collaborating with a team of teachers and coaches to best implement and reflect on the implementation.

#### **Director of Social Media Communication**

Apr 2020 - Current, Montgomery Middle School - El Cajon, CA

- Create, curate, and manage published content on the school's different social media platforms, including Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.
- Monitor, listen and respond to users in a "social" way.
- Increase family, student, and community engagement and communication with the school.

#### Committee of 100. Member

Apr 2019 - Current, Cajon Valley Union School District - El Cajon, CA

- Contribute to leading a movement of systemic change that helps continue the work of designing our modern K-12 system.
- Beta Test Student Empowerment Curriculum Lessons
- Attendance at many conferences focused on innovative teaching

#### Climate and Culture Leadership Team, Team Contributor

Aug 2019 - Current, Montgomery Middle School - El Cajon, CA

- Facilitate a school staff breakout to gather input regarding building and reworking the school's mission and vision statements.
- Plan, with a small team of teachers, monthly awards assemblies and triannual student-staff games.

## **Leadership Contributions (Continued)**

#### **Math Department Chair**

Aug 2019 - Current, Montgomery Middle School - El Cajon, CA

- Contribute input in department lead meetings
- Track department budget and inventory needs
- Plan and organize department events, e.g. department treat day, math photo message
- Facilitate math department meetings

#### **Spring Academy Speaker**

Apr 2019, Cajon Valley Union School District - El Cajon, CA

• Planning Your Math Block: Focus on getting students engaged and sharing their mathematical thinking by structuring time to support student thinking

## **Cajon Valley Conference Speaker**

Aug 2018, Cajon Valley Union School District - El Cajon, CA

- Speaker of Session: Grading for Mastery (Standards-Based Grading in a Traditional Grading System)
- Co-Speaker of Session: Supplementing Middle School Math Curriculum with Illustrative Math
- Speaker of Session: Seesaw to Track Growth, Share Progress, & Assess the Standards

#### Math Club Leader

Oct 2013 - Jun 2017, Montgomery Middle School - El Cajon, CA

- Founded and facilitated the school's math club
- Improved the mindset of many student's ideas towards mathematics

### **Technology Committee, Team Member**

Aug 2014 - Jun 2016, Montgomery Middle School - El Caion, CA

- Assist with staff professional development sessions to increase knowledge and implementation of different devices and programs for teachers to use with their students.
- Created and maintained an online forum of questions and answers pertaining to technology needs and suggested uses in the classroom.
- Collaborated with the district IT department and other teachers on the technology committee.

## District Benchmark Assessment Development Team, 6th Grade Assessment Developer

Aug 2014 - Jun 2015, Cajon Valley Union School District - El Cajon, CA

• Created and developed common district benchmark assessments and accompanying tiered grading rubrics in a math leadership team

# **Experience**

#### **Sixth Grade Math Teacher**

Aug 2013 - Current, Montgomery Middle School - El Cajon, CA

- Implemented mastery grading and mastery learning of the standards in my practices.
- Engaged students with self-created activities such as digital breakouts, digital choice boards, hyper-docs, hyper-slides, and hands-on activities incorporating manipulatives.
- Piloted several programs for the district including different online math programs, math curriculum, and a grading system.

## **Experience (Continued)**

#### **Substitute Teacher**

Oct 2012 - Jun 2013, Chula Vista Elementary School District - Chula Vista, CA

- Fourth Grade Long-term Substitute Teacher, May 2013 June 2013
- Collaborated with other teachers in planning for end of the year and coming year activities
- Focus on Math and Social Studies with student rotations, 4th Grade
- Experience with GLAD strategies, 4th Grade
- Carried out teacher-designed lesson plans in 4th and 1st grade classrooms with excellent results and provided detailed notes of the daily happenings.
- Substitute for Bilingual class with extremely positive feedback from principal and teacher.

#### Student-Teacher

Aug 2012 - May 2013, Chula Vista Elementary School District - Chula Vista, CA

- Provided the English-component of instruction for a dual language immersion program.
- Brought a thorough understanding of algebraic functions through a self-designed lesson.
- Adapted presentations and created activities to ensure engagement of class in a science lesson on food chains.
- Created a lesson around modern versions of the Cinderella story using a double-bubble graphic organizer to teach comparing and contrasting.

#### **Classroom Volunteer**

Aug 2010 - Apr 2012, Chula Vista Elementary School District - Chula Vista, CA

- Volunteered in 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Grade classrooms.
- Created and taught a math "baseball" game to help students practice multiplication facts.
- Led student spelling-practice game and administered spelling test.
- Conducted comprehension, writing, and fluency exercises with small groups.
- Assisted individuals and groups of students with math assignments on geometry and conversion between customary and metric systems.
- Read books with students developing word association and prosody in reading.
- Conducted writing and fluency exercises with small groups
- Assisted individuals with writing activities

#### A.V.I.D. Tutor

Oct 2010 - May 2011, Ocean Views Hills School, San Ysidro School District - San Ysidro, CA

- Motivated an underperforming student by connecting education with his future goals –resulting in an immediate change in completion of assignments.
- Steered discussion groups to improve critical thinking abilities which led to an improvement in all academic areas.
- Conducted individual and small group instruction

## **Guest Teacher for Physical Education**

May 2009, Physical Education for Elementary School, Southwestern College - Chula Vista, CA

- Finney Elementary School Guest Teacher, Chula Vista Elementary School District
- Selected by peers as "Best Teacher" out of the 30 who participated in the course.
- Collaborated with liberal studies students to create a 60-minute physical activity lesson for a 2nd grade class.
- Established an emotionally safe environment where a new student, who limited his
  participation in activities with others, felt comforted and welcomed to interact and associate
  with his peers

## **Experience (Continued)**

## **After-School Program Youth Leader**

Jun 2009 - Jan 2011, South Bay Family YMCA - Chula Vista, CA

- Supervised children grades 1-6 enrolled in the after school program
- Planned and implemented program daily activities, including cooperative games and crafts
- Assisted with overall program management
- Communicated with parents, teachers, and other professionals, both formally and informally
- Trained several employees on-the-job how to conduct program and be an effective leader

#### D.A.S.H. After-School Program Leader

Aug 2007 - Jun 2009, City of Chula Vista - Chula Vista, CA

- Directed and supervised children in grades 1-6 in an after school program
- Coordinated and led daily activities including games, arts and crafts, sports clinics, and dance
- Recorded and submitted monthly program attendance, student reports, and staff log
- Compiled kits of sports equipment distributed among the 26 program locations
- Adapted all activities in order to include a physically disabled child, children with autism, and children with ADHD
- Communicated with parents, teachers, and other professionals.

#### **Color Guard Director and Instructor**

Sep 2005 - Jun 2007, Sweetwater Union High School District - Chula Vista, CA

- Conducted and scheduled rehearsals and performances
- Instructed and choreographed 15-55 middle school and high school students in routines performed to live marching bands and recorded music
- Maintained order and discipline in the classroom, during rehearsals, and at performance sites

## Education

### **Master of Arts in Teaching**

August 2015, San Diego State University - San Diego, CA

• Concentration in K-12 Language Arts Education

#### **California Clear Credential Program**

May 2014, San Diego State University - San Diego, CA

• Completed via online submissions of work and video samples and online mentorship.

### **California Teacher Preparation Program**

May 2013, San Diego State University - San Diego, CA

- Phil Halfaker Memorial Award for Most Outstanding Student-Teacher
- Multiple Subjects Credential Program
- Experience in implementing Common Core State Standards (CCSS)
- Student Teaching grades 1 and 4

### **Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies**

May 2012, San Diego State University - San Diego, CA

• Emphasis in Mathematics

#### **Associate of Arts in Transfer Studies**

Aug 2009, Southwestern College - Chula Vista, CA

# **Supplemental Professional Training and Development**

Get Your Virtual Teach On Conference, Jun 2020, Get Your Teach On - Online

GSDMC Annual Math Conference, Feb 2020, Greater San Diego Math Council - San Diego, CA

San Diego Math Leaders Summit, Feb 2020, SDCOE & San Diego Mathematics Project - San Diego, CA

Necessary Condition Math Book Club, Sep 2019 - Dec 2019, East County Math - El Cajon, CA

National School Transformation Conference, Jul 2019, NSTC - Palm Springs, CA

Ron Clark Academy Workshops, May 2019, Ron Clark Academy - Atlanta, GA

NCTM San Diego Conference, Apr 2019, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics - San Diego, CA

EdTech Team Summit, Mar 2018, EdTech Team - Carlsbad, CA

Design39 Workshops, Apr 2020, Design39Campus - San Diego, CA

Getting Smart Design Workshops, Jun 2019, Getting Smart - El Cajon, CA

Tasks Worth Teaching (Gr. 6-12), Feb 2019, SDCOE - San Diego, CA

International Baccalaureate Conference, Oct 2016, International Baccalaureate - Los Angeles, CA

CMC South Conference, Oct 2014, California Mathematics Council - Palm Springs, CA

CMC South Conference, Oct 2013, California Mathematics Council - Palm Springs, CA

**Webinars**, 2012 - 2020, *National Council of Teachers of Mathematics* 

**Webinars**, 2012 - 2014, *National Science Teachers Association* 

Webinars, 2010 - 2014, Kappa Delta Pi

Teacher Workshops, Feb 2010 - Feb 2012, Lakeshore Learning - San Diego, CA

Junior Achievement Training, Feb 2010, Junior Achievement of San Diego – San Diego, CA

**Facilitator & Speaker for the Executive Board Retreat and Workshop**, Dec 2009, *Pagkakaisa Student Organization*, *Southwestern College* – Chula Vista, CA

After School Staff Essential Training (A.S.S.E.T.), Jun 2009, After School Unlimited – San Diego, CA

- Behavior Management for Elementary After-School Programs Workshop
- Establishing Your Professional Presence Workshop

New Management Workshops with Rick Morris, Jul 2008, New Management, Inc. - San Diego, CA

- Student Management, Motivation, and Involvement Seminar
- Interactive Discipline Seminar

"The FUN-damentals of Play Leadership: Interactive Training Program", Jun 2008, *Children Together with Dr. Bill Michaelis and Ezra Holland* – San Diego, CA

## **Credentials**

Clear California Multiple Subject Teaching Credential, May 2014
Preliminary California Multiple Subject Teaching Credential, May 2013
Subject Matter Authorization in Mathematics, May 2013

## **Honors and Awards**

CVEA Grant Recipient, Building Math Minds, 2019
CVEA Grant Recipient, Enriching Experiences with Math Manipulatives, 2018
Phil Halfaker Award, Most Outstanding Student Teacher, 2013, San Diego State University
Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Recipient, 2012, SCTA
Kappa Delta Pi - International Honors Society in Education, 2011-2014
Ethnic Minority Scholarship Recipient, 2010, SCTA

## **Additional Information**

#### **Additional Certifications Earned:**

- Seesaw Ambassador
- EdPuzzle Coach
- EdPuzzle Personalized Learning Certified
- Master Screencaster
- Certified Formative Educator
- Kahoot Certified

## Additional Relevant Competencies, Experiences, and Skills:

- California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST), Passed
- California Subjects Examinations for Teachers (CSET), Multiple Subjects, Passed
- Competent with Microsoft Word, Excel, Power Point, and Publisher
- Competent with Google Education Suite (Docs, Slides, Sheets, Forms, Drawing, Jamboard, etc.)
- Able to incorporate music in the classroom setting: reads music, plays piano
- Travel experiences:
  - o Indonesia: Bali
  - o Thailand
  - o Philippines
  - o Canada: British Columbia
  - o 40 of the U.S. States