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#### **Profile**

I am a curious, forward-thinking educator with a focus on connecting learners and community to identify problems and create solutions.

### **Experience**

## Founder/Owner, Flying Start, LLC

Flying Start is an online platform that connects Grade 8+ public school classrooms with businesses in order to provide real-life technology learning opportunities for the students, get much-needed supplies for the classroom, and help small businesses that may not be able to afford expensive professional tech services. Flying Start also holds coding camps for kids where I teach Swift Programming using Apple's Learn to Code curriculum. Flying Start is currently a startup.

#### Teacher, River Forest SD 90; River Forest, IL - 2012-2019

Kindergarten teacher (2012 - 2016) and Third Grade teacher (2016 - present) at Lincoln Elementary. I create, align, and follow curriculum based upon Common Core State Standards in my 1:1 iPad classroom.

#### Substitute Teacher, River Forest SD 90 and others – 2009-2012

K-12 educator, all subjects. Several long-term assignments in primary grades and a gifted education classroom.

### Pre-service teacher, Oak Park SD 97; Oak Park, IL – 2010

Student teaching in a Fourth Grade classroom at Irving Elementary. I led an innovative recycling project with my students for which we were featured in the local press.

### Administrator, Chicago Conservation Center – 2007-2008

Art intake, client services, web development and client communications

Additional work experience includes Hotel Management, Culinary Arts, and Hospitality Management.

#### Education

# National-Louis University; Chicago, IL - M.A.T., 2010

Elementary Education, Type 09 Certification

# University of Illinois at Chicago; Chicago, IL – B.A., French; minor in Art History 2006

Member of Honor's College; graduated Magna cum laude and with Departmental Honors.

Studied abroad in Paris, France (2005).

Additional Graduate-level Coursework in Gifted Education, Technology Integration, and Art History

#### **Skills**

Swift, HTML, Xcode, public speaking, instructional design and implementation, professional development creation and delivery, project management, Apple Books author, iOS app development, web development, classroom management, Keynote, Pages, Numbers, iMovie, GarageBand, Universal Design for Learning

# Leadership

Apple Distinguished Educator, Class of 2017
District 90 Math Leadership Team, 2018-2019
Grievance Chairperson, River Forest Education Association, 2015-2019

Grade Level Team Leader, 2014-2016
Google for Education Certified Trainer, 2017-2019
West Suburban Chapter Leader, Illinois Digital Educators Alliance (IDEA) 2019

### iOS Apps

## Mood Monster's Yoga Workshop, 2018

Mood Monster's Yoga Workshop was created with my Third Grade students to help children manage their emotions. (available on App Store; for iPhone and iPad)

## Mood Monster's Exercise Workshop, 2019

Mood Monster's Exercise Workshop was created with my Third Grade students to help children get and track sixty minutes of exercise daily. (available on App Store; for iPhone)

### Learn, Draw, Share: Illinois Native Plants, 2019

Learn, Draw, Share: Illinois Native Plants is an app that teaches about native plants, then allows users to draw the plants they see and save or share the illustrations via social media or Air Drop. (available on App Store; for iPad)

#### **iBooks**

# Accommodating All Learners: Everyone Can Code Curriculum for All (2019)

Accommodating All Learners focuses on the use of iPad's accessibility features to help all learners learn to code with Swift Playgrounds and the Everyone Can Code curriculum. (available on Apple Books)

# Cultivating a Culture of Collaboration and Creativity in the Classroom (2018)

Cultivating a Culture of Collaboration and Creativity in the Classroom is a guide for facilitating a positive, student-centered community by developing a creative, engaged classroom team. (available on Apple Books)

## Literacy (2018) co-author

Kurt Klynen, Christine Klynen, Karrin Burns, Christina Carbone, Richard Colosi, Katie Gardner, Kerry Guard, Jake Lee & Sara Malchow

This book was designed by a team of global elementary school educators to help teachers learn how to use iPad to support literacy. (available on Apple Books)

# The Lincoln Native Garden: Creating and Maintaining a Successful Native Habitat (2017)

The students at Lincoln School in River Forest, Illinois created a native garden in 2016, with the assistance of staff and various community members and organizations. Read about the mission, objective, action plan, and lessons learned through the process of creating and maintaining the Lincoln Native Garden. (available on Apple Books)

For a more extensive overview of my presentation experience, publications, and work samples, please see my professional website, <u>KarrinBurns.com</u>.