

# Tonya Irving

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## Profile

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Enthusiastic, positive-minded education graduate with a strong desire to help students grow and achieve. Highly perceptive and skilled in gauging the emotional, social and physical needs of small children. Possess strong planning and organizational skills with the ability to manage multiple tasks simultaneously. Proficient in creating new ways to make learning enjoyable and meaningful for children. Flexible and adaptable; well suited to the demands of challenging classrooms with multiple learning preferences and needs.

## Education

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MID-STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE, Wisconsin Rapids, WI Anticipated Graduation: 2015

### **Associate in Applied Science Degree in Early Childhood Education**

- GPA: 3.91, Dean's List each semester.
- Selected coursework: Foundations of Early Childhood Education; Infant & Toddler Development; Race, Ethnic & Diversity Studies; Art, Music & Language Arts; Children with Differing Abilities; Guiding Children's Behavior; Curriculum Planning; Math, Science & Social Studies; Intro to Psychology.

## Practicum Experience

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Completed practicum experiences at several Wisconsin Rapids and Port Edwards elementary schools:

**Practicum I** (one-year old) November 2013–January 2014

- Developed weekly activity plans providing effective and enriching activities.
- Assisted children with dress or feeding and diaper changes.
- Acted as a role model using verbal and non-verbal communication

**Practicum II** (5-6 years old) January–March 2014

- Developed twice-weekly development activities.
- Acted as a participant in activities or study with children.

**Practicum III** (4-5 years old) March–May 2014

- Established a learning environment conducive to the needs of all students.
- Enforced established classroom rules and disciplinary procedures.

**Practicum IV** (3-4 years old) May–June 2014

- Act as a lead teacher's assistant.

## Work Experience

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LITTLE RAINBOWS LEARNING CENTER, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 2011–Present

### **Early Childhood Assistant**

Assisted with teaching a class of 30 students. Created a positive and supportive environment for students where they felt comfortable expressing themselves and learning new things.

- Created and conducted learning activities in art, crafts and music.
- Attended parent-teacher meetings to discuss each student's progress and behavior.

## Additional Skills

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- Proficient in MS Office programs as well as animation graphics applications.
- Experienced in conducting activities and lessons in art, crafts, music and drama.