
Elvia Piña Velazquez

Summary

Strives to provide effective, culturally competent training and outreach. Skilled at problem solving and management. Strong organization and experience in planning for virtual and in-person settings.

EDUCATION

CalStateTEACH - *Multiple Subject Teaching Credential Coursework*

University of California, Davis - *Psychology B.A. & Chicana/o Studies B.A.*

EXPERIENCE

Agricultural Labor Relations Board, Salinas, CA - *Training & Community Engagement Specialist*

October 2022 - Present

- Help implement a new farm worker outreach and referral program.
- Work closely with staff from both the ALRB and other state departments to help develop better outreach and referral models.
- Develop social-media friendly content, effective messaging, and other methods to provide needed information and assistance to agricultural workers throughout the state
- Help develop training content and conduct training for staff at the ALRB, Department of Industrial Relations, other state departments and non-profit organizations for the purpose of facilitating assistance and referrals for farmworkers
- Develop and foster working relationships with local farm worker organizations to assist the ALRB, the Labor Workforce Development Agency (LWDA) and the departments it oversees in improving the quality of outreach materials, messaging, education, and training for farm workers on their labor rights.

Chualar Union School, Chualar, CA - *Bilingual Third Grade Teacher*

August 2019 - June 2022

- Planned and implemented lesson plans for multiple subjects during virtual, hybrid, and in-person instruction due to COVID-19.
- Established and maintained classroom expectations for academic success and COVID-19 protocols.
- Monitored student progress with formal and informal assessments/observations, 1:1 teacher/student conferences.
- Maintained student records to use for parent/teacher conferences, progress reports, IEPs and SSTs.
- Established and maintained ongoing communication and collaboration with grade level teachers, administration, and staff on a regular basis.

Gonzales Adult School, Gonzales, CA - *U.S Citizenship and ESL Adult Instructor*

September 2018 - June 2020

- Planned, organized and provided instruction of English-only ESL & bilingual civics lesson plans geared towards adults and their interests to match with the state requirements while also increasing student attendance and enrollments in the evening program.
- Provided a nurturing, supportive, and safe learning environment that encourages student responsibility, respect, and motivation while also incorporating scaffolding instructional strategies that draws upon life experiences and skills.
- Mentored and collaborated with co-instructor during the transition from in-person teaching to online distance learning to establish course times, curriculum and material needed.