

CORPUS CHRISTI COMMISSION ON CHILDREN & YOUTH

***Three (3) vacancies with terms to 5-1-21 and 5-1-22, representing the following categories: 1 - Education, 1 - Youth Representative and 1 - Nueces County District Attorney's Office. (The Corpus Christi Commission on Children & Youth recommends the new appointment of Dr. Jacob Dryden. Staff is recommending the postponement of the Youth Representative and Nueces County District Attorney's Office for further recruitment).**

Duties

The Commission on Children & Youth supports a comprehensive system of services and advances policies to meet the needs of Corpus Christi's children, youth and their families, including gathering information from people and entities to act as a source of information and referral on issues concerning children, developing an annual community action plan for children, youth and their families, advising the City Council on acquiring and allocating children and youth's resources and services, strengthening communications and encouraging partnerships between public and private entities working with children and youth, and serving as an advocate for local, state and federal policy benefitting children, youth and their families to the City Council, and to others as authorized by the Council.

Composition

The commission shall consist of nine (9) members appointed by the City Council. Each appointee shall have demonstrated interest in the welfare of children or youth through occupation or through association with community-based organizations. Members shall be representative of each of the following fields: (1) - Health and Human Services, (1) - Law Enforcement, (1) - Education, (1) - Youth and Family Services, (1) - Nueces County District Attorney's Office, and (3) - At-Large members. One (1) member shall be a youth representative from 16 to 21 years of age at time of appointment. Any member who ceases substantial activity in the field or office represented, automatically resigns from the commission. (On 10-10-95, Council approved the addition of a Police Officer to serve as an Advisory Member to be appointed by the Police Chief.)

Name	District	Term	Appt. date	End date	Appointing Auth	Position	Status	Category
*Kristen J Ross	District 1	1	5/14/2019	5/1/2022	City Council		Resigned	Education
Gilbert Z. Trevino	District 1	2	5/2/2019	5/1/2022	City Council	Chair	Resigned	Youth Rep.
Vacant		1	N/A	5/1/2021	City Council		vacant	Nueces County District Attorney's Office
Capt. Laura N. Garcia	District 3	1	11/7/2017	5/1/2020	City Council		Active	Law Enforcement
Clarissa B Mora	District 5	Partial	5/14/2019	5/1/2020	City Council		Active	At -Large
Christina R Harrison	District 3	Partial	5/14/2019	5/1/2021	City Council		Active	At-Large
Joseph N. Miller	District 2	2	5/12/2015	5/1/2021	City Council		Active	Youth & Family Svcs.
Priscila Baldillez	District 3	1	5/2/2019	5/1/2022	City Council	Vice-Chair	Active	At-Large
Melissa Hofstetter	District 3	2	5/2/2019	5/1/2022	City Council		Active	Health & Human Svcs.
Denise Pace		1	N/A	N/A	Police Chief	Advisory	Active	Police Officer

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Applicants

Name	District	Category
Jacob W Dryden	District 4	Education
Margareta Fratila	District 3	Education
Laurie J Turner	District 4	Education

Application for a City Board, Commission, Committee or Corporation

Profile

Dr Jacob W Dryden
Prefix First Name Middle Initial Last Name


Email Address

2830 Denver Avenue
Street Address

Corpus Christi TX 78404
City State Postal Code

What district do you live in? *

☒ District 4

Current resident of the city?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how many years?

2

Mobile: (952) 529-6777 Mobile: (361) 500-8360
Primary Phone Alternate Phone

CCISD Social Studies Teacher
Employer Job Title

Work Address - Street Address and Suite Number

3750 Cimarron Blvd

Work Address - City

Corpus Christi

Work Address - State

TX

Work Address - Zip Code

78414

Work Phone

3618787900

Work E-mail address

jacob.dryden@ccisd.us

Preferred Mailing Address

☒ Home/Primary Address

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

CORPUS CHRISTI COMMISSION ON CHILDREN & YOUTH: Submitted

Interests & Experiences

Are you a registered voter?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Do you currently serve on any other City board, commission or committee at this time? If so, please list:

Education, Professional and/or Community Activity (Present)

I am teacher at Veterans Memorial High School. I currently serve as the Social Studies Department Co-Chair, Campus Advisory Team (Faculty Senate) Chair, and as a VMHS Leadership Team Member. From a student engagement perspective, I am Faculty Advisor for a popular student interest club. I regularly volunteer time for school dances, rallies, graduations, and UIL activities. Finally, I organize and hold VMHS Saturday School activities with excellent student turnout. Moreover, I am committed to the education of CCISD youth, both inside and outside the classroom.

Why are you interested in serving on a City board, commission or committee?

I teach Social Studies at Veterans Memorial High School. For several years now, when my classes discuss government, economics, US history, or geography topics, one of my teaching strategies is to take the lesson beyond the textbook and apply it to the "real world". Here, I ask the students to consider timely topics that relate to the lesson at hand. Often, especially in today's political climate, leaders and their decisions are analyzed and discussed in class. More times than I can count, my students have demanded that I run for mayor, senator, or president after a hearty discussion! I preach to my roughly 200 students that sitting on the sideline and watching a problem helps no one. I encourage them that public service is an excellent way to make a better tomorrow for you and your community. I want to serve on the Corpus Christi Commission On Children And Youth because the Corpus Christi youth deserve to aim higher and I can help them achieve their goals. I offer the Commission a unique perspective. I work with hundreds of Corpus Christi youth everyday. I am highly educated, I have successful committee experience, I am passionate about youth education and development, and, most important of all, I have time to give because I care about their tomorrows.

Are you an ex-Officio member of a City Board, commission or committee?

☐ Yes ☐ No

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☐ Yes ☐ No

Demographics

Code of Ethics - Rules of Conduct/Conflicts of Interest

Do you represent any person or organization in any claim or lawsuit or proceeding involving the City?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you, your spouse, your business or your spouse's business have a City contract?

☐ Yes ☐ No

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NA

Board-specific questions (if applicable)

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☒ Education

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Oath

I swear that all of the statements included in my application and attached documents, if any, are true and correct.

☒ I Agree

Jacob Dryden, Ph.D.

2830 Denver Avenue, Corpus Christi, Texas 78404 | 952.529.6777 | jake.dryden@live.com

Education

Ph.D. Political Science, The University of Mississippi, 2014

- Focus: International Relations and Comparative Politics
- GPA: 3.87
- Dissertation: "On Mass Media, State Capacity, and Civil Conflict"
- Dissertation Committee: Timothy Nordstrom, Benjamin Jones, and Michael Henderson

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), The University of Michigan, 2012

- Program Scholar in Game Theory and Rational Choice Modeling

M.A. Diplomacy and International Relations, Seton Hall University, 2003

- Focus: Middle Eastern Politics, East Asian Politics, and International Political Economy
- GPA: 4.0

B.A. International Studies, Hanover College, 2001

- Major: International Studies
- Minor: History, Spanish

Teaching and Academic Employment

Veterans Memorial High School, CCISD, 2017 – Present

- AP Human Geography · AP US History · Government · Economics · World Geography
- Gifted & Talented Certified

Undergraduate Instructor, The University of Mississippi, 2012 – 2014

- Introduction to International Relations
- Research Methods

Teaching and Research Assistant, The University of Mississippi, 2010 – 2011

Graduate Assistant, Seton Hall University, 2002 – 2003

- Assistant Editor and Reviewer, *Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations*

Political Consultant, MSNBC, 2002

Professional Service

Veterans Memorial High School
School District

- Campus Advisory Team (Faculty Senate) Chair for all CCISD
- Social Studies Department Co-Chair Review Committee
- Campus Grading Guidelines Committee Chair Program Leader
- National Honor Society Faculty Selection Committee Member
- Mission Statement and Vision Committee Member
- Saturday School Leader and Supervisor
- Nominated Teacher of the Year, 2017-2018

Corpus Christi Independent

- Social Studies Curriculum Writer
- Social Studies Textbook
- Advanced Academics Pilot

Corporate Experience

Account Executive, Travelers Insurance, 2014 -2016

Various commercial insurance underwriting positions, 2003 - 2010

References

Robert Arredondo, Principal, DES, 361.878.0140, robert.arredondo@ccisd.us

Kimberley James, Principal, VMHS, 361.878.7900, kimberley.james@ccisd.us

Dr. Salvatore Russo, Assistant Professor, California State University, 310.243.3490, srusso@csudh.edu

Application for a City Board, Commission, Committee or Corporation

Profile

Margareta

First Name

Fratila

Last Name

Email Address

3606 TRIPOLI DR.

Street Address

CORPUS CHRISTI

City

TX

State

78415

Postal Code

What district do you live in? *

☒ District 3

Current resident of the city?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how many years?

36

Home: (361) 851-9418

Primary Phone

Home: (361) 739-3029

Alternate Phone

EUROPEAN FLORAL DESIGNS

Employer

OWNER

Job Title

Work Address - Street Address and Suite Number

3230 REID DR. #F

Work Address - City

CORPUS CHRISTI

Work Address - State

TX

Work Address - Zip Code

78404

Work Phone

361-852-0471

Work E-mail address

Preferred Mailing Address

☒ Home/Primary Address

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

AIRPORT BOARD: Submitted

CORPUS CHRISTI COMMISSION ON CHILDREN & YOUTH: Not Submitted

COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: Submitted

CORPUS CHRISTI BUSINESS AND JOB DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION: Not Submitted

CORPUS CHRISTI CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU: Submitted

CORPUS CHRISTI DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT: Submitted

CORPUS CHRISTI REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY: Submitted

CRIME CONTROL & PREVENTION DISTRICT: Submitted

ETHICS COMMISSION: Submitted

HOUSING AUTHORITY: Submitted

MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND HISTORY ADVISORY BOARD: Submitted

NUECES COUNTY TAX APPRAISAL DISTRICT: Submitted

OIL AND GAS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Submitted

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Submitted

MARINA ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Not Submitted

ISLAND STRATEGIC ACTION COMMITTEE: Submitted

CORPUS CHRISTI B CORPORATION: Not Submitted

Interests & Experiences

Do you currently serve on any other City board, commission or committee at this time? If so, please list:

NO

Education, Professional and/or Community Activity (Present)

SEE ATTACHED RESUME Del Mar Instructor

Why are you interested in serving on a City board, commission or committee?

Submitted Resume

Are you an ex-Officio member of a City Board, commission or committee?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Demographics

Gender

☒ Female

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☐ Yes ☐ No

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☒ Education

Question applies to CORPUS CHRISTI CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

The Convention & Visitors Bureau Board must include representatives from certain categories. Do you qualify for any of the following categories? *

☒ None of the above

Question applies to CORPUS CHRISTI REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Are you a qualified voter* residing in the Authority? (Note: Authority includes the following services areas: Nueces County and the municipalities, Bishop, Corpus Christi, Driscoll, Gregory, Banquete, Agua Dulce, San Patricio, Port Aransas and Robstown)

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to CORPUS CHRISTI REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Are you transportation disadvantaged meaning elderly, persons with disabilities or low-income individuals?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Question applies to ISLAND STRATEGIC ACTION COMMITTEE

ISAC must include representatives from certain categories. Do you qualify for any of the following categories? *

☒ Residential Property Owner (Who owns property and resides on Mustang or Padre Island)

Question applies to MARINA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Marina Advisory Committee must include representatives from certain categories. Do you qualify for any of the following categories? *

None Selected

Question applies to MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND HISTORY ADVISORY BOARD

The Museum of Science & History Advisory Board must include representatives from certain categories. Do you qualify for any of the following categories? *

- ☒ K - 12 Education
- ☒ Higher Education
- ☒ Business Community
- ☒ Community Advocate

Question applies to NUECES COUNTY TAX APPRAISAL DISTRICT

(For NCAD) Are you a resident and qualified elector* of the District (Nueces County)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to NUECES COUNTY TAX APPRAISAL DISTRICT

(NCAD) Have you resided in the District for at least 2 years?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to OIL AND GAS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Oil & Gas Advisory Committee must include representatives from certain categories. Do you qualify for any of the following categories? *

☒ None of the above

Question applies to multiple boards

Are you willing to provide an Annual Report of Financial Information as required by the Code of Ethics?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to CORPUS CHRISTI DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The Corpus Christi Downtown Management District must include representatives from certain categories. Do you qualify for any of the following categories? *

None Selected

Question applies to PLANNING COMMISSION, CORPUS CHRISTI B CORPORATION, CORPUS CHRISTI BUSINESS AND JOB DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Are you a registered voter?

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Oath

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MARGARETA FRATILA, MBM, TMF

Master of Science in Horticulture

3606 Tripoli Dr.

Corpus Christi, TX 78415

Office: 361-851-9418

Mobile: 361-739-3029

Email: [REDACTED]

Education:

- Master of Science in Horticulture and Agriculture Degree from Horticulture University of Bucharest, Romania.
- Master of Art Degree in Business Management and Human Resources Development, Webster University, St. Louis MO and Corpus Christi State University
- Corpus Christi State University (Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi) work toward Certification in secondary education and high school and MBA program.
 - Life Earth Science
 - Biology, Horticulture
 - French
- Texas Master Florist and Professional Floral Design Commentator, International Bridal Florist Certification.
- Floral Design and Management Certifications at Del Mar College
- Certified Mediator for Nueces County Courthouse
- Official Translator for Nueces County Courthouse
- Deville Business School-Secretarial and Business office filing
- Stephan Ministry trained as a Stephan Leader at Church of the Good Shepherd, Corpus Christi, TX.
- Church of Acts- Class of the Prophets, one year class
- Certified preacher, Evangelist, Healer, Missionary
- Real Estate Institute in Corpus Christi, TX enrolled (three classes from completing the requirements to take Real Estate Broker Examination)

Honors and Achievements:

- Recipient of Republican Senatorial Medal of Freedom, 2004
- Life Member of Republican Senatorial Inner Circle and Presidential Round Table

- Member of Texas State Society of Washington D.C.
 - Organized three Texas “Black Tie and Boots” Presidential Inaugural ball
 - Participated in five Presidential Inaugurations
 - Member of Republican Women’s Club
 - Feature and Keynote Speaker at various schools, churches, and organizations such as:
 - Texas Federation of Republican Women
 - Republican Women’s Club, Conroe TX
 - Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, Conroe, TX
 - Speaker for elementary schools, three high schools, and other city organizations
 - Corpus Christi Christians Women’s Club, Past Chairman of Events
 - Producer of two television shows on local Channel 10 public Access
 - Weekly Adoration at the Our Lady of Corpus Christi
 - Member of the League of Womens Voter
 - Member of Friday Morning Group
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- Participated in five Republican National and State Conventions
 - Past Director of the three city Boards:
 - Library Board
 - Tree Advisory
 - Landmark commission
 - Candidate for City Council 2014,2016
 - CASA Volunteer

Employment History:

1983-Present Friday February 13, 1983 my dream to open my own business comes true. I became owner and CEO of Margaret’s Greenhouse and European Floral Design. Full Service flower shop, interiorscaping, and landscaping with instruction in Floral design and Horticulture. Teaching Flower Design on premises or in television.

2010-Present. Business Consultant for various small businesses, Medical Offices, Real Estate Investments

2011- Producer of “Flower Talks - The Language of Love” with Margareta and “Bright Star-The Magic Romanian Matchmaker of All.” The shows are produced and aired weekly (so far we have over 160 episodes aired)

Feb 16, 1881 Immigrated to Untied States-became citizen in 1990

Feb 16 1982 arrived in Corpus Christi TX, crossing the Harbor Bridge penniless, but with a big dream that it was accomplished and I am looking forward to help our citizens to accomplish their dreams and live in a safe and pleasant environment.

Personal:

Proud Mother of two children and four grandchildren

Languages spoken: Romanian, French, English, Russian, Latin, German

Dreams and Aspirations

Writer of the book in progress, "A Flight to Freedom," to be followed by a motion picture cast in Romania, Corpus Christi, TX and other world places. When finalized and approved by publisher and producer as being ready I will present it to the George W. Bush Presidential Library in Dallas, where I am a Charter Member, for signing and fundraising for the "Fight to Freedom" section helping with the fundraising for other immigrants who will want to share their life story of struggle and success. The book is a real life motivational story of my own struggles and success as an immigrant, to follow and accomplish my dream in the free world.

<http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/652159>

Skills and Trades:

- Sociable and Personable to the Extreme
- Personal Advisor and Counselor
- Fantastic Promoter and Social Events Organizer
- Network "QUEEN" (as I am known)
- Extremely versatile in protocol, good manners and people skills
- Negotiator and peace maker
- Knowledge of people characters and body language
- Proved success in leadership abilities and business management adviser
- My principles and moral values are timeless and endless, therefore I have many followers of my principles, everyday, in every areas of their life.
- Stephen Leader-Stephen Ministry trained to teach God's care for caregivers.

Goals and Ambitions:

To share my diversified knowledge with the people of all races, colors and religions, as long as they comes here in the USA, from all over the word in a purpose to overcome their struggle through education, beliefs, and following their dreams of freedom with hard work and faith. I want to serve the people in Corpus Christi, the city that I love and its citizens where they become my adoptive family.

My message is that KNOWLEDGE IS POWER and each and every American should appreciate and look to this country through the eyes of an immigrant.

MAY GOD BLESS AMERICA, and KEEP IT ALWAYS FREE!!!

References

By Request

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Profile

Dr Laurie J Turner
Prefix First Name Middle Initial Last Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

162 Martha Drive

Street Address

Corpus Christi

City

TX

State

78418

Postal Code

What district do you live in? *

☒ District 4

Current resident of the city?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how many years?

16 years

Mobile: (361) 563-2263

Primary Phone

Home: (361) 939-8116

Alternate Phone

Gregory-Portland ISD

Employer

Educator-Chair

Job Title

Work Address - Street Address and Suite Number

4600 Wildcat Drive

Work Address - City

Portland

Work Address - State

Texas

Work Address - Zip Code

78374

Work Phone

(361)777-4042

Work E-mail address

lturner@g-pisd.org

Preferred Mailing Address

☒ Home/Primary Address

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Not at this time. I have served on the Corpus Christi Pride Committee.

Education, Professional and/or Community Activity (Present)

I hold a doctorate in Education Leadership & Research from Texas A&M-Corpus Christi. I have worked in public education for the past 16 years. I currently serve on the State Board of Educator Certification; governor appointment, as well as on the Nueces County Historical Commission.

If you applied for multiple boards, which boards are you most interested in serving on, in order of preference? (Limit to top three)

This is the only board that I am interested in at this time.

Why are you interested in serving on a City board, commission or committee?

For the last 25 years, I have been a strong advocate for youth at the local, state and federal levels concerning children: from being a CASA volunteer to serving at the state level; ensuring that all students have equitable education. BUT as an educator work with hundreds of children every year-their needs go beyond the classroom and I believe that I can be of use in our community: supporting families and children.



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All responses are no.

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Dr. Laurie J Turner, Ed.D

Contact Information

361-563-2263


1. Personal Statement

A doctoral Educational Leadership & Research graduate from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. I have fourteen years of special education, skills, knowledge, curriculum, testing, policy, and research essentials for advocating key areas in public education. I am currently looking to join your campus's leadership team.

2. Educational Background

Ed.D. in Educational Leadership & Research, December 2014
Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi, TX (TAMUCC)
Emphasis: Education Policy

Dissertation: "Citizens' Beliefs on Neoliberalism, Moral, and Progressive/Constructivist Education"

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Randall Bowden, Ph.D.

Comprehensive Exams: Quantitative and Qualitative Research, Policy and Leadership

Brief Synopsis of Research:

The primary purpose of this study was to examine the citizens' beliefs regarding public education. Three major educational philosophies were measured: moral education, constructivism, and neoliberalism. It examined associations between variables. A general significance was found in a variety of areas concerning all three educational philosophies. Results showed that the citizens were not unified with one particular characteristic. The different sects of citizens such as community size, religious affiliation, age, gender, political affiliation, role, ethnicity, and region also were not unified with one particular philosophy.

Coursework in Education:

- Principal coursework
 - o School safety
 - o Evaluations
 - o Testing
 - o Instructional Coach
- Curriculum writing
- Quantitative & Qualitative Research methods
- Leadership
- Policy
- Philosophy

- Public education
- Higher Education Law
- Instruction
- Democratic societies

M.P.A. in Public Affairs, 2003
Washington State University at Vancouver, WA (WSU)
Emphasis: Public Policy

Master's Thesis: "Perceptions of Intimate Partner Violence in Clark County"

- Coursework in Public Administration:
- Political Science
- Criminal Justice issues
- Research methods
- Judicial Process
- Public Policy
- Theory & Philosophy
- Public Administration

B.S. in Criminal Justice, 1996
Portland State University at Portland, OR
Internship: Clackamas Community Corrections: Sex Offender Unit

3. Professional Experience

<i>Gregory-Portland Independent School District</i>	<i>8/2006 to Present</i>
<i>Corpus Christi, Texas</i>	<i>Educator, American History</i>

Department Head-Social Studies (2007-2013)

Teach American History. The American history course covers the colonial period through the Civil War. Curriculum begins with exploration and early colonization efforts; the development of representative government; followed by the American Revolution and the writings of the Constitution and its implementation during the early years of America; importance of innovation and the Industrial revolution leading towards expansion and division; ending with the Civil War and reconstruction period.

Managed the social studies department. Developed curriculum and lessons pertaining to topics consistent with American and Texas History, as well as assessments. Responsible for budgeting and instructional materials. Served on various committees: Safety First Program; campus improvement plans; at-risk programs; and tutor.

<i>Taft Independent School District</i>	<i>2005-2006</i>
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Taft, Texas

Educator, World Geography & Cultures

Taught World Geography and cultures. The course covered every continent and country in the world. The curriculum focused on geography, societies, economics, and government designs.

ACADEMIC CERTIFICATIONS

Principal Certificate (2019)

Field Supervisor. (2017)

Social Studies 4-8 (2006)

Social Studies Composite 8-12 (2005)

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

Family Mediation (2003)

Victim-Offender Mediation (2003)

4. Experience Not in Education

Johnson & Associates Law Firm
Vancouver, Washington

2000-2003
Paralegal

Managed and assisted approximately 200 cases of nursing home negligence, wrongful death, automobile accidents, and family law.

Restaurant Industry
Vancouver, Washington

1986-2000
Hostess, Waitress, Bartender, and Manager

The number one priority was customer service and satisfaction. Gain valuable skills such as working with the public, problem solving techniques, computers, money management, becoming a team player and organization skills.

5. Teaching

a. Courses

Public Education

- American History
- Texas History
- World Geography & Cultures

b. Course Development Activities

Public Education

- Course development: American History, STAAR accommodations, *G-PISD*
- Course development: Texas History, STAAR accommodations, *G-PISD*
- Course development: Special Education, STAAR accommodations, *G-PISD*

c. Curriculum Design

- Scrapbooking through History: Colonial Period (Patent)
- Scrapbooking through History: Texas History (Patent)
- Scrapbooking through History: World Geography (Patent)

6. Research

a. Publications

1. Dissertation

Turner, L. J. (2015). Citizens' Beliefs on Moral, Constructivist, and Neoliberalism Education. Dissertation.

2. Current Research

a. Journals

- Turner, L., & Bowden, R. (in progress). Philosophical Perspectives: How do Citizens View Education?
- Turner, L., & Bowden, R. (in progress). The Politics of Education: The Pervasiveness of Neoliberalism, the Lack of Perception.
- Turner, L. (in progress). Impact of No Child Left Behind Act on Texas Students.
- Turner, L. (in progress). Moral Education in Schools: Is it wanted or needed?

b. Books

- Turner, L. (2016). Finding My Own Voice: A Story of Abuse, Addiction, and Freedom. The Speak Easy Express: Charleston.
- Martinez, V. & Turner, L (2018). (in progress). #Texas Strong: Tales of Hurricane Harvey.
- Turner, E., & Turner, L. (2019). (in progress). Wings of Change: A Navajo Tale.

3. Unpublished Manuscripts

- Turner, L. (2011). The Story of Rachel: Perceptions of a Teacher.
- Turner, L. (2002). Perceptions of Intimate Partner Violence in Clark County.

4. Other Publications

- Turner, L. (2012). SBOE-Up for Grabs? *Texas Insider*. On-line publication.

b. Professional Presentations

1. National

- Turner, L. (2018). *Hurricane Harvey through Narrative Art*. Council of Social Studies Conference. Houston, Texas, Oct 12-14.
- Turner, L. (2013). *Belief Systems and their Impact on Education*. Collaborative Educational Program for the Americas Conference, San Antonio, TX, October 17-19.
- Turner, L. (2012). *Leading to Innovate, Innovating to Lead*. Collaborative Educational Program for the Americas Conference, San Antonio, TX, October 18-20.

2. Local/Regional

- Turner, L. & Garcia, L. (2019). Exhibit of Student Artwork of Hurricane Harvey.
- Turner, L. (2011). *When Teachers are Left Behind: Advocating for Empowered Teaching and Learning*. Collaborative Educational Program for the Americas Conference, Corpus Christi, TX, October 19-21.

c. Data Instrument Development

- Educational Philosophy Questionnaire with Randall Bowden (2013).

7. Service

1. Public Education

- SBDM & DSBDM G-PISD (2018-2019).
- AVID – G-P Junior High (2017).
- District Improvement Committee-member, G-PISD, Portland, TX (2016).
- Grand Central Station-FIT Committee-member, G-PISD, Portland, TX (2015).
- Safety 1st Campaign-coordinator, G-PISD, Portland, TX (2009-2014).
- Awards Ceremony-director, G-PISD, Portland, TX (2007-2015).
- Calendar Committee-member, G-PISD, Portland, TX (2013-2015).
- Campus Improvement Committee-member, G-PISD, Portland, TX (2009).

2. Foundations

- The Coastal Bend College Relief Fund-Hurricane Harvey Victims

2. Community

- State Board of Educator Certification. Corpus Christi, TX. Member (2016-)
- Nueces County Historical Commission. Corpus Christi, TX. Member (2015-)
- Corpus Christi PRIDE Committee. Corpus Christi, TX. Vice President and sub-committee member for Community Outreach & Picky Pete-Anti-Littering Campaign. (2013-2016).
- Relay for Life. Corpus Christi, TX. Volunteer. (2015).
- Corpus Christi's "Leave It Better than You Found It". (2014-2015).
- Flour Bluff ISD Education Foundation. Corpus Christi, TX. President. (2013-2015).
- Earth Day Event. Corpus Christi, TX (2014).
- Collaborative Educational Program for the Americas. Las Cruces, NM. Site-Base Coordinator & Executive board member. (2012-2015).
- Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA). Vancouver, WA. Volunteer (2000-2003).
- Domestic Violence Roundtable Group. Vancouver, WA (1999-2003)
- Youth Soccer Coordinator. Vancouver, WA. (1996-2002).

3. Professional Development

- Walkthrough Training (March, 2019).
- Budget Training (March, 2019).
- Bullying Training (March, 2019).
- Curriculum Training (March, 2019).
- Emergency Operations Plan Development Workshop (January, 2019)
- Teachers Law School (July, 2018).
- Texas behavior Support Initiative (July, 2018).
- Making Educators partners in Youth Suicide Prevention (July, 2018).
- TX Dyslexia Academy: Dyslexia Foundations (July, 2018).
- Youth Mental health First Aid of USA (July, 2018).
- T-TESS (June, 2018).
- Advance Education Leadership (AEL) (June, 2018).
- ELPS for Administrators (June, 2018).
- Inclusion Teaching Practices & the Law. (June. 2017).
- AVID Certification. (July 2016).
- Mental Health Disorders training. G-PISD. (January, 2015).
- Open Meetings Act training. Corpus Christi, TX (April, 2014).
- Differential Teaching: STAAR Approach. ESC- Region 2. (April 14, 2014).
- Elections Judge training. Corpus Christi, TX (October, 2014).
- Blood Pathogens. G-PISD. Portland, TX (August 28, 2014).
- Sexual Harassment for Educators. ESC-Region 6. On-line. (August, 2014).
- Child Abuse Awareness. ESC-Region 6. On-line. (August 2014).
- Curriculum Planning. G-PISD. Portland, TX (August 11, 2014).
- English Language Proficiency Standards: ELPS Academy. (February 9, 2013).
- Professional Development and Appraisal System. Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, TX 2013. (April 22, 2013).

- Instructional Leadership Development. Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, TX. (June 19, 2012).
- Child Development including Research on How Children Learn. ESC-Region 2. (August 17, 2012).
- Visionary Leadership: An Ethical and Innovative Approach to Empowerment. San Antonio, TX. (October 20, 2012).
- G/T Certification training: Differentiation & Performance Standards. ESC-Region 2. Corpus Christi, TX. (August 9, 2011).
- Diversity and Special Needs of Student Populations. ESC-Region 2. (March 9, 2011).
- Bullying and Cyberbullying. ESC-Region 2. Corpus Christi, TX (January 9, 2011).
- Critical Legal and Research Issues for Educators in South Texas. CEDER Conference, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. (February 15, 2010).
- Book Study-Teaching Gifted Kids in the Regular Classroom. (January 20, 2010).
- Blogging and Podcasting for your Classroom. ESC-Region. (August 14, 2009).
- Bully Prevention. ESC-Region 2. Corpus Christi, TX. (March 24, 2006).
- Probation Department Presentation. Taft ISD. Taft, TX. (March 25, 2006).
- Hints of Survival: Strategies in Teaching Children Ownership to their Behavior. ESC-Region 2. Corpus Christi, TX (April 28, 2005).
- Sensitivity training. Taft ISD. Taft, TX. (August 9, 2005).
- Building Good Citizens for Texas Character Education training. Taft ISD. Taft, TX. (August, 9, 2005).
- Curriculum Planning. Taft ISD, Taft, TX (August 10, 2005).
- Intel Teach to the Future. Taft ISD. Taft, TX (October-November, 2005).
- ESL Strategies. Taft ISD. Taft, TX (December 20, 2005).
- Co-Teach Strategies. Taft ISD. Taft, TX (December 21 & 22, 2005).
- Development and Improvement Practices and Procedures of Family Courts. Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Vancouver, WA. (June, 2004).
- Medication Divorce Agreement. The Mediation Center. Eugene, OR. (April 30-May 4, 2003).
- STOP-Services, Training, Officers, Prosecutors. YWCA. Vancouver, WA. (June, 1998).
- Addressing Domestic Violence during Pregnancy. Southwest Washington Health District. Vancouver, WA. (December 7 & 14, 1998).
- Legal Investigation Certification. Royal Academy of Legal Investigations. Milwaukie, OR. (March 27, 1996).

4. Honors/Awards

- Certificate of Recognition dedication to education, given by Cecelia Abbott. (2014).
- Commitment to Excellence –An academic Achievement Award-Washington State University. (2003).
- Heart Award-commitment to youth in foster care-CASA organization. (2001).

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