

# Kindra Schneider

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## EDUCATION:

**Dakota State University** | Madison, SD | September 2004 – December 2008

- Double Major:
  - Bachelor's Degree of Elementary Education K-8
  - Bachelor's Degree of Special Education K-12
- Participated twice in the Center of Excellence Student Research Initiative in Pierre, SD
- President's List
- Honor's List
- Kapa Sigma Iota
- South Dakota Education Association (SDEA) Student Body President 2007-2008
- Cumulative GPA: 3.979

**University of Sioux Falls** | Sioux Falls, SD | June 2012 – May 2014

- Master's Degree of Reading Specialist K-12
- Cumulative GPA: 4.0

**University of South Dakota** | Vermillion, SD | August 2022 – May 2025

- Ed.D. in Adult and Higher Education
- Cumulative GPA: 4.0

## Endorsements

- K-12 English As a New Language
- K-12 Educational Technology Teacher
- 7-12 Assistant Varsity Coach
- Middle School/Junior High Coach
- K-8 Elementary Coach

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher** | **Terry Redlin Elementary** | Sioux Falls, SD | March 2009 – May 2014

- Differentiated instruction daily to meet student's needs from a wide range of academic levels
- Integrated technology into the classroom setting using a wide range of tech tools
- Collaborated in a co-teaching classroom model with a special education professional and reading specialist
- Utilized the Common Core Standards to drive instruction
- Trained in and utilized both AVMR (Add+VantageMR®) and DRA (Developmental Reading Assessment)
- Taught all subjects

**English Language Learner Teacher K-5** | **Terry Redlin Elementary** | Sioux Falls, SD | 2014-2017

- Differentiated instruction based on student's language proficiency and readiness
- Collaborate with classroom teachers to effectively utilize the push-in model
- Taught across content areas to maximize learning while focusing on the same reading standard as the classroom teacher
- Trained to administer the WIDA (World-class Instructional Design and Assessment) and Collier Process

### **Summer School Teacher**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade | **Terry Redlin Elementary** | Sioux Falls, SD | Summer 2011  
-Differentiated instruction focusing on math and reading
- 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Needs | **Pettigrew Elementary** | Sioux Falls, SD | Summer 2014  
-Tracked progress of IEP goals and wrote new goals  
-Differentiated instruction based on the social, emotional, and academic needs of students
- 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Needs | **JFK Elementary** | Sioux Falls, SD | Summer 2016  
-Tracked progress of IEP goals and wrote new goals  
-Differentiated instruction based on the social, emotional, and academic needs of students

### **Instructor | Dakota State University** | Madison, SD | 2017-present

- Teach the following courses:
  - EDFN 102 – Introduction to Education
  - EDER 431 – Educational Technology and Assessment
  - EDFN 475 – Human Relations
  - ELED 462 – Teaching English: New Language
  - ELED 466 – P-12 ELL Curriculum, Instructions, and Assessment
  - ED 495 – English as a New Language Practicum
- Act as an advisor for students in the College of Education and Human Performance
- Act as the Chair for the College of Education and Human Performance

### **LEADERSHIP POSITIONS:**

- 1:1 Initiative Technology Trainer – 2013-2016 at Terry Redlin Elementary
- Technology Integration Leader – 2010-2013 at Terry Redlin Elementary
- Professional Learning Communities Team – 2013-2017 at Terry Redlin Elementary
- Leadership Team – 2009-2017 at Terry Redlin Elementary
- Assistant Manager – 2008-2013 at Walgreens
- Store Remodel Team Lead – 2011 at Walgreens
- District Budget Committee – 2014-2016 for the Sioux Falls School District
- School Data Retreat Team – 2011-2015 for Terry Redlin Elementary
- Faculty Development Committee – 2018 – present (DSU)
- Professional Education Council -2018-present (DSU)
- Adjunct Mentor – 2019-2021 (DSU)
- Dakota TESOL Board Member – 2025-present

### **ADDITIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND EXPERIENCES:**

- Taught as an adjunct for both the University of Sioux Falls and Dakota State University
- Taught various topics at school in-services and district-mandated training
- Co-taught a professional development writing class at my elementary school over the course of a semester
- Attended the following conferences and workshops
  - Professional Learning Communities – Presented by Richard DuFour and Mike Mattos
  - Classroom Management – Presented by Brian Mendler
  - Dakota TESL (Teaching English as a Second Language) – Presented by Kerri Whipple
- Recipient of the following grants, written to enhance the learning of my students and other students schoolwide:
  - Sioux Falls Federal Credit Union Adopt a Classroom Grant –recipient five times
  - Program Enhancement Program – recipient twice
  - SDEA/NEA Educational Innovation Grant
  - The Education Foundation – Innovation Grant
  - Student Research Initiative - at DSU

- Taught teachers how to utilize various tech tools for a number of schools as the Tech Integrationist (2015-2017)
- Presented at ECET2 in Harrisburg (Spring 2018)
- Worked on integrating Sanford Inspire into the College of Education courses, as well as partnering with schools and training them in this professional development tool (2018-present)
- Worked to deliver professional development to teachers via Zoom during COVID (2019)
- Presented at the annual STEAM Camp/DSU Teach Camp (2017-present)
- Recipient of the True Trojan Award through a student nomination (2020)
- Presented a two-day workshop for elementary teachers on standards-based grading at Chamberlain Elementary (summer 2021)
- Worked with the Department of Education on the Assessment and Data Literacy Initiative (2021-2022)
- Recipient of the Faculty Outstanding Contributor Award (2021)
- Recipient of the Dr. Ernest Teagarden Award of Excellence in Teaching at Dakota State University (2021)
- Recipient of the True Trojan Team award for the College of Education (2023)
- Nominated for the True Trojan Award through a student nomination (2023)
- Recipient of the Faculty Outstanding Contributor Award – Student Nominated(2024)
- Nominated for the Faculty Outstanding Contributor Award – Student Nominated (2025)