

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- 2019 Foundation Award Grant Winner (~\$500) 2020, 2021, 2022, & 2023
- Boerne Education Foundation Teacher Innovation Grant Award Winner (~\$10,000) 2022-'23
- Teacher of the Year Winner 2022-23 Boerne ISD Teacher of
- campuses Whataburger Regional Award Winner

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# **BROOK TAYLOR**

# SECONDARY SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATOR

Dedicated to the art of secondary education, I am a passionate and innovative social studies teacher committed to fostering a dynamic and enriching learning environment that resonates with many diverse learning styles. My ultimate goal is to empower students to become successful global citizens, equipped not only with academic knowledge but also the social and emotional intelligence vital for navigating the challenges of the world.



# **EDUCATION/CREDENTIALS**



### **Texas Tech University**

Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science (Dual Degree) | May 2014



### **Teaching Certifications**

Awarded by the Texas Education Agency | Valid until February 2031

- 4-8 Social Studies
- 7-12 Social Studies
- 4-12 English as a Second Language



# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### Social Studies Teacher

8th Grade Social Studies at Carol Morgan School | August 2024 - Current

- Designed and implemented dynamic, studentcentered 8th-grade History lessons all aligned to AERO/C3 standards to ensure vertical alignment with high school expectations.
- Championed curriculum development through original content creation and the upcoming rollout of standards-based grading using rubrics to drive transparency and mastery-focused assessment.
- Appointed as 8th-grade team lead for the upcoming academic year, guiding collaboration among a cohort of eight educators to foster cross-disciplinary alignment and instructional excellence.
- Served as StuCo, debate, and yearbook sponsor fostering student voice, leadership, and critical thinking in campus-wide initiatives.

#### Social Studies Teacher

6th Grade World Cultures at Boerne Middle School South | August 2020 - May 2024

- Spearheaded lesson planning initiatives for the entire 6th-grade team, entrusted with the creation of cuttingedge, captivating, and technology-driven lessons that cater to diverse learning styles.
- Distinguished role as the NJHS Advisor, UIL Social Studies Coach, and Student Council Sponsor, demonstrating a commitment to fostering

#### **SKILLS**

- Technologically Proficient:

   Have demonstrated aptitude in navigating and leveraging a wide range of technological tools and platforms including Microsoft Office, Google Suite, Adobe, Eduphoria, Lead4Ward, BrainPop, Skyward, Clever, and differing Al platforms.
- Social Studies Curriculum

  Design: Proficient in developing engaging and comprehensive social studies curricula that align with educational standards.

  Skilled in crafting lesson plans that foster critical thinking, historical analysis, and a nuanced understanding of social issues.
- Real-World Travel Experience:
  Extensive firsthand experience
  exploring diverse cultures and
  regions globally, bringing a
  unique and authentic
  perspective to the classroom.
  Able to infuse lessons with realworld examples and personal
  anecdotes, enhancing students'
  global awareness.
- Excellent Communication:
  Strong verbal and written
  communication skills,
  facilitating clear and concise
  interaction with students,
  parents, and co-workers.
- Dedicated to ongoing professional development, actively seeking opportunities to enhance skills and knowledge. Proponent of a growth mindset, embracing challenges as opportunities for learning and improvement.

# LANGUAGES

- English Fluent
- Spanish Basic

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- well-rounded student development through academic, extracurricular, and leadership initiatives.
- Proven track record of collaborating across grade levels and campuses to align and scaffold lessons, ensuring seamless transitions and readiness for the next academic level and state assessments in accordance with Texas education standards.
- Provided dedicated mentorship and support to a new teacher on campus for the past 3 years, ensuring their successful integration into the school community while fostering a collaborative and growth-oriented professional relationship.

#### **Social Studies Teacher**

6th Grade World Cultures, 7th Grade Texas History, and Track/Basketball/Volleyball coach at **Comfort Middle Schoo**l | August 2019 - May 2020

- Crafted a comprehensive year-long curriculum comprising student-centered lesson plans from the ground up for two distinct subjects, incorporating tailored differentiation to accommodate ESL/SPED learners.
- Led the charge as the head coach for 7th-grade girls' volleyball, basketball, and track teams, fostering a culture of teamwork, skill development, and sportsmanship.
- Served as the esteemed UIL Social Studies coach and held the position of campus Social Studies director, showcasing an unwavering dedication to academic excellence and educational leadership.

#### **Social Studies Student Teacher**

8th Grade United States History at **Boerne Middle School North** | January - April 2019

- Helped to integrate cutting-edge technology into the classroom, harnessing its potential to enhance instructional delivery and create an interactive and forward-thinking educational atmosphere.
- Orchestrated the independent management of classes comprising 30 students, employing effective positive behavior management strategies to foster a conducive and supportive learning environment.
- Engaged in dynamic collaboration with colleagues to meticulously craft lesson plans tailored to the unique interests, strengths, and needs of individual students,

#### **ESL Teacher of History and Science**

8th Grade United States History at Boerne Middle School North | October 2017 - June 2018

- Assumed the role of lead teacher overseeing 16
  distinctive primary classes, each with an average of 25
  students, while placing a special emphasis on catering
  to the needs of English language learners
- Developed organized and targeted lesson plans, designed to meet the diverse language learning needs of ESL students ranging from 1st to 6th grade, ensuring an inclusive educational experience.