

# Karen A. McDavid

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## OBJECTIVE

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Seeking employment at Britt David Magnet Academy as an elementary education magnet teacher.

## SUMMARY

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A highly motivated, creative, and resourceful educator with a Specialist Degree in Elementary Education and Georgia Master Teacher Certification. Committed to the highest levels of professional and personal growth with a passion for helping students grow and rise to new heights. Dedicated to building social and academic growth for all students through inspiring hands-on lessons that capture students' attention and curiosity, which breeds success. Superior interpersonal and communication skills to foster meaningful relationships with students, staff, and parents.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### **Dimon Magnet Academy, 480 Dogwood Drive, Columbus, Georgia 31907**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Magnet Teacher, August 2002 - Present*

Implementing and developing a rigorous curriculum that meets the academic, intellectual, and social needs of students. Supporting a balanced literacy program through the implantation of writing and reading workshop. Integrating technology through the development of units that include computer literacy skills. Employing a multiple-intelligence approach to make lessons interesting and interactive. Fostering a sense of curiosity and a deeper understanding of varied subjects by using integrated, thematic units in the areas of Math, Reading, Science, and Social Studies. Encouraging curiosity and wonder in the areas of Math and Science by creating lessons that foster exploratory investigations. Currently hold Georgia Master Teacher certification, serve as a Cornerstone model classroom, and serve on various committees including School Leadership Team, School Improvement Team, Literacy Action Team, SACS, W.O.W. (Working on the Work), and the Technology Team. In 2008 I became a MCSD Teacher Support Specialist. As part of these duties I serve as the K-3 lead TSS (Teacher Support Specialist), host Best Practices workshops for the MCSD, and serve as a presenter at the IDEA Fair as well as New Teacher Orientation.

### **Flournoy Development Company, 900 Brookstone Centre Parkway, Columbus, Georgia 31904**

*Financial Analyst, June 2000 – January 2002*

Maintained budgets, coded invoices, generated financial reports, computed bonuses, requested replacement reserves from escrow accounts, generated graphic representations for financial reports. Executed computer training, budget training, tax credit compliance audits, and assisted as technical support for computer analysis.

*Administrative Assistant, December 1999 – June 2000*

Responsible for budget maintenance, coding invoices, preparing contracts and agreements, maintenance of Certificates of Insurance and the Permanent File system, maintenance and distribution of various reports and assisting the Executive Vice President and four Project Managers in an administrative capacity.

### **Cott Beverages USA, Inc., 5650 Whitesville Road, Suite 201, Columbus, Georgia 31904**

*Purchasing Analyst, September 1996 – April 1999*

Prepared statistical reports involving actual sales data and shipment purchases by vendor. Tracked inventory, maintained national forecasting for all major commodities and supplier claims, maintained relations between suppliers and national field personnel and assisted the Vice-President of Purchasing in daily administrative functions.

## CORNERSTONE LITERACY PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- Cornerstone Progress Monitoring Review Team Member, Dimon Elementary, February 2011
- Cornerstone Progress Monitoring Review Team Member, Key Elementary, January 2011
- Open Model Classroom, Dimon Magnet Academy, August 2009 ó Present
- Literacy Action Team, Dimon Magnet Academy, August 2009 ó Present
- Implementation of the Reading and Writing Workshop model, August 2004 ó Present
- Published Work (Thesis) óThe Effects of Comprehension Strategy Instruction on the Reading Achievement of Second Grade Studentsö.

## EDUCATION

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### **Troy State University, Phenix City, Alabama**

*Degree: Education Specialist, Elementary Education, July 2006 – May 2008*

*Degree: Master of Science in Education, Elementary Education, July 2004 – May 2006*

*Degree: Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education, July 1999 – May 2002*

*Summa Cum Laude graduate, Member of Kappa Delta Pi, Presidential Scholarship recipient.*

### **Chattahoochee Valley Community College, Phenix City, Alabama**

*Degree: Associate in Arts, January 1997 – June 1999*

Graduated with highest honors, Member of Phi Theta Kappa, Most Outstanding Student Social Sciences 1999

### **George C. Wallace Community College, Selma, Alabama**

*Degree: Associate in Applied Science, Office Administration, August 1992 – June 1994*

*Degree: Associate in Applied Science, Accounting, August 1992 – June 1994*

Graduated with highest honors, Member of Phi Theta Kappa, Most Outstanding Student 1994, Who's Who in American Community Colleges 1993

## ACHIEVEMENTS

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Cornerstone Model Classroom, Dimon Magnet Academy, 2009 ó Present

Cornerstone Literacy Action Team Member, 2009 ó Present

Technology Team, 2010 - Present

Teacher of the Year Runner-Up, Dimon Magnet Academy, 2010, 2009, and 2006

K-3 Lead Teacher Support Specialist, Dimon Magnet Academy, 2008 ó Present

Teacher Support Specialist (Mentor Teacher), 2007 - Present

Columbus Regional Mathematics Collaborative, March Mathness K-3 Presenter, 2007

MCS D Best Practices Workshop Instructor, 2007 - Present

MCS D New Teacher Orientation Instructor, 2007 ó Present

Georgia Master Teacher, 2006 - Present

SACS Committee Member, Dimon Magnet Academy, 2006

Disney Teacher Awards Nominee, 2006

Troy State Cooperating Teacher, 2005 ó Present

Working on the Work Team Member, Dimon Magnet Academy, 2005 ó Present

## CONTINUED EDUCATION

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### **Career Development**

*Using Cornerstone Strategies*, MCS D Best Practices Workshop, 2009

*Writer's Workshop: 6-Trait Writing*, MCS D Best Practices Workshop, 2009

*Co-Teaching: Help for All Students!*, Georgia Learning Resources System, January 2008

*Best Practices Workshop*, Muscogee County School District, 2002 ó 2008

*Process Standards Open the Door*, Columbus Regional Mathematics Collaborative, 2008

*NASA Connections: Integrating Space Education in the Science Classroom*, NASA, 2008

*GPS: Curriculum Maps and Unit Design*, Muscogee County School District, Summer 2008

*Reader's Workshop in the Elementary Classroom*, MCS D Best Practices Workshop, 2008

*Brain Based Math Strategies*, Kathy Robinson, 2007

*Motivating Students*, Charles Beaman, 2007

*W.O.W. (Working on the Work) Conference*, Schlechty Center, Dallas, Texas, 2007

*Annual Second Grade Teachers Conference*, Staff Development for Educators, 2003 - 2007

*Building Bridges & Digging Deeper Phase II*, Columbus Regional Mathematics Collaborative, 2007

*Singapore Math Training*, Bob Hogan, 2006

*Data Driven Instruction*, Staff Development for Educators, 2006

*Eight Habits of the Heart for Educators*, Clifton L. Taulbert, 2006

*National Renaissance Conference*, San Antonio, Texas, 2005

*Hands On, Minds On Science*, William Burd, 2005

*Tucker Signing Strategies for Reading*, Bethanie Tucker, 2005

*Meeting Standards/Improving Test Scores*, Dimon Magnet In-House Staff Development, 2004

*Differentiated Instruction*, Jim Grant, 2004

*Differentiated Instruction*, Lynda Rice, 2004

*A Framework for Understanding Poverty*, Ruby Payne, 2004

*AIMS Math Connections Workshop*, 2002

*How to Successfully Teach Math Facts & Strategies to All Students*, Otter Creek Institute, 2002