Rachel Goldberg

English Teacher and Department Chair | English Teacher

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

High school English teacher and department chair with 15 years in public schools, teaching ninth grade English through AP Literature. Leads a department of nine, coordinates curriculum and assessment, and mentors new teachers. National Board Certified Teacher who keeps a full teaching load and advises the student newspaper.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

English Teacher and Department Chair

Aug 2018 — Present

Willamette Heights School District · Portland, OR

- Lead a nine-teacher English department, running weekly PLC meetings, scheduling courses and representing the department on the school leadership team.
- Led a three-year redesign of grade 9 and 10 writing units with common rubrics, giving students consistent feedback across all sections.
- Opened AP Literature to all interested students with summer bridge support, more than doubling enrollment while keeping exam results steady.
- Teach four sections of English and AP Literature each year, and advise the student newspaper, which publishes monthly online and in print.

English Teacher

Sep 2013 — Jun 2018

Columbia Gorge Union High School · Gresham, OR

- Taught grade 9 and 11 English and an elective in creative writing, about 160 students a year.
- Co-led the school's restorative practices pilot, training 20 staff in community circles and reducing repeat referrals in ninth grade.
- Coordinated the annual student literary magazine and an evening reading event for families each spring.

English Teacher

Sep 2011 — Jun 2013

Tualatin Valley Middle School · Beaverton, OR

- Taught grade 7 and 8 language arts, building a classroom library of 600 titles through grants and donations.
- Coached the middle school debate club of 18 students to its first regional tournament.

EDUCATION

MAT, Secondary English Education — Pacific Northwest Teachers College *2011*

BA, English Literature — Cascade Hills University *2010*

SKILLS

Technical: Department leadership, Curriculum design, AP English Literature, Writing instruction, Common assessments and rubrics, Instructional coaching, Restorative practices, Schoology, Professional development facilitation, Family communication, Student newspaper advising, Inclusive reading lists

Certifications: Oregon Professional Teaching License, Language Arts · National Board Certification, English Language Arts