

# Christiane Varga

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## EXPERIENCED EDUCATOR

*...passionate about encouraging students to succeed while inspiring an appreciation for literature and learning*

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Fifteen years of varied educational experience including classroom teaching, administration, teacher-leadership, curriculum development, student/teacher scheduling, fundraising, and mentoring.

### SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Strong **passion for English and literature** and a **genuine interest in and love for the students**.
- **Leadership experience** at the classroom, departmental, and administrative level.
- Strong **interest in collaboration** and **excellent people skills**.
- **Excellent rapport with parents**.
- **Student-centered approach to teaching**.

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## HIGHLIGHTED PROFESSIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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REIMER ROAD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL, WADSWORTH, OH

June 2005 – August 2009

### Administrator

- Supervised staff and all related issues including evaluations, hiring, discipline, parent conferences, peer mediation, and termination.
- Planned professional development for staff.
- Dealt with all student discipline.
- Performed student and teacher scheduling through Progress Book.
- Assisted high school students with career and college planning.

### Highlighted Achievements

- Implemented computerized grading system (Progress Book).
- Directed technology development and the incorporation of technology into daily lesson plans
- Revamped curriculum to align with state standards
- Updated teaching methods and record keeping
- Increased professionalism
- Introduced marketing and development plan
- Raised the quality of education by requiring teachers to complete 18 hours of outside professional development every three years.
- Organized fundraisers for school security system and new bus.
- Improved communication with parents by requiring teachers to make two POSITIVE contacts per student per year.
- Enlarged school library by several thousand titles, including teacher resources.

NORTON HIGH SCHOOL, NORTON, OH

August 1994 – June 2005

### Language Arts Teacher

- Courses taught: Language Arts 11-12 all levels; Creative Writing; Drama Appreciation; Elements of English, Media Appreciation, Oral Persuasion.
- Used a variety of teaching methods, activities, and assignments to appeal to learners of all levels.
- Served as Department Chair: responsibilities included assisting with departmental scheduling, coordinating two textbook adoptions, facilitating all departmental meetings, participating in standards mapping for department, assisting with the ordering of materials and supplementals required by teachers.
- Served on High School Leadership Team and Continuous Improvement Committee.

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**SYLVAN LEARNING CENTER, MENTOR, OH**

**October 1993 – August 1994**

**Teacher/Testing Supervisor**

- Worked with individual students to raise performance levels.
- Monitored computerized testing.
- Communicated with parents and testing clients

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**SUBBING EXPERIENCE**

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Chapel Hill Christian School, Green, OH

September 2009 – Current

**EDUCATION**

Fifteen hours graduate level courses – Anticipated completion Summer 2010

**B.A., English**, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH – 1993

Cedarville University, Cedarville, OH – 1989-1991

**CERTIFICATION**

Currently transitioning from a 4-year provisional certificate to a 5-year license

Secondary English Grades 7-12