

Jeff Epstein

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Certification

2008: Certified for **Elementary Education** (Level I) in both Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Scored 389 points out of a possible 400 on Praxis II. Scored in **top fifteen percent**, among all past test takers in the United States, on the Elementary Education: Content Knowledge section.

Education

West Chester University of Pennsylvania
**Bachelors of Computer Science,
Business Concentration**
Minor in Music -- Vocal Performance
3.40 GPA (Cum Laude Honors)

Holy Family University
Masters of Elementary Education
3.81 GPA

Drexel University
Masters of Science in Information Systems
(Pursuing: Completed 12 of 15 courses)
3.91 GPA

Experience - Children

Fall 2007	Student Teaching in the third grade in the Pennsauken, New Jersey, School District.
September 2005- Present	Substitute Teacher for all elementary grades (PreK-4) and most special subject areas in Pennsauken and Willingboro, New Jersey, school districts. Consistently requested by both teachers and students.
Summer Weekends 2002-2007	Counselor and Manager for Entertainment Benefactors, a business of "camp counselors for hire", for entertaining children at company picnics, at various campsites throughout New Jersey. Promoted to manager in summer 2004.
November 2003- June 2004	Substitute Teacher for the following New Jersey School Districts: Pennsauken, Collingswood, Willingboro, and Maple Shade. Substituted for every grade (K-12) and subject area, particularly in the Pennsauken district. Also employed by Source4Teachers.
2001-2007	Classroom Observations in elementary school classrooms throughout the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey areas.

Experience - Computers

Skills and Languages: Java (back-end/non-visual), Oracle, Object Oriented Design, HTML, JavaScript, ColdFusion

Operating Systems and Software Packages: MS Windows OS, Solaris Unix OS, MS Office, Jakarta Ant, version control, unit testing

Insight Interactive Group
Wilmington, Delaware
Internet Developer: 2001 - 2002

Responsible for interactive ("back-end" and database) aspects of major pharmaceutical websites, for companies including Johnson & Johnson and Orthobiotech.

The Wharton School
At The University Of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Senior Programmer/Analyst: 1998 - 2001
Programmer/Analyst: 1997 - 1998
Technical Intern: 1997

Responsibilities include: Project Manager for web-based company job-recruiting system. Designed and implemented frameworks for major web-based applications, as used by most Wharton students. Supervised graduate students to implement various projects.

Center For The Study Of
Connectivity And Databases
West Chester, Pennsylvania
Technical Intern: Summer 1996

Various programming activities, and installation and maintenance of computers in computer labs used by college students.

Other

- For an example of a general-interest website I have created, see my son's website, which includes an **elaborate and custom-built family tree** with more than 1,000 members: <http://jacob.jeffyepstein.com> (*note the 'y'*)
- I am proud of how I **communicate with children**. Beyond instincts, I have been most influenced by the following books: [How To Talk So Kids Will Listen and Listen So Kids Will Talk](#) and [Siblings Without Rivalry](#) by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish, [Playful Parenting](#) by Lawrence J. Cohen, and [Saving Childhood](#) by Michael and Diane Medved.

- I am a **professional singer**. I have sung in backup choruses for Barbra Streisand, Michael Crawford, and Andy Williams, at locations including Madison Square Garden, Radio City Music Hall, Valley Forge Music Fair, and the Camden Tweeter Center. Hear me sing, and see my singing resume, at <http://singing.jeffyepstein.com> (*note the 'y'*)