



The Children's Trust of Alachua County Application

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Section 1 – General Information

List all your places of residence for the last ten (10) years:

Address	City & State	Dates: From / To
15322 NW 121st Place	Alachua FL 32615	March 2021 - Present
109 NE 8th Street	Gainesville FL 32601	June 2020 - March 2021
2044 NW 36th Terrace	Gainesville FL 32605	July 2016 - June 2020
701 SW 62nd Blvd	Gainesville, FL 32607	Aug 2014 - July 2016

List all your former and current residences outside of Florida that you have maintained at any time during adulthood:

Address	City & State	Dates: From / To
N/A		

Have you ever been convicted for violation of any federal, state, county, or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance? (Exclude traffic violations for which a fine or civil penalty of \$150.00 or less was paid.)

Yes No

If "Yes" give details:

Date	Place	Nature	Disposition
N/A			

Section 2 – Education and Background

High School: Everglades High School Miramar, FL Year Graduated: 2009
(Name) (Location)

List all postsecondary education institutions attended:

Name	Dates	Degree Received	Major Field of Study
Broward College	2008-2011	AA	
University of FI	2011-2013	BA	History
Univeristy of West FL	2016-2017		Teacher Certicificate
Gettysburg College			American History
American College of Education	2024-Present		ED Leadership

Are you or have you ever been a member of the armed forces of the United States? Yes No

If "Yes" list:

Dates of service: _____

Branch or component: _____

Date & type of discharge: _____

Concerning your current employer and for all of your employment during the last ten years, list your employer's name, business address, type of business, occupation or job title, and period(s) of employment.

Employer's Name & Location	Type of Business	Occupation Title	Period
Alachua County School Board / Westwood Middle School	Dean		Aug 2024- Present
Alachua County School Board/ Fort Clarke Middle School	Teacher		Aug 2016 - June 2024
Marion County School Board/ Bellview Middle	Teacher		Aug 2015 - Oct 2015
Alachua County School Board/ Metcalf Elementary	21st Century Instructor		Nov2015-July2016
Alachua County School Board/ Farm-To School	Job Coach		Nov 2015 - June 2016
Alachua County School Board/ Newberry Highschool	Teacher		Aug 2014 - June 2015

Have you ever been employed by any state, district, or local governmental agency in Florida?

Yes No

If yes, identify the position(s), the name(s) of the employing agency, and the period(s) of employment:

Position	Employing Agency	Period of Employment
Instructor/Dean	ACPS	2014-2025

Do you currently hold an office or position (appointive, civil service, or other) with the federal or any foreign government? Yes No

If "Yes", please list:

N/A

Have you ever been elected or appointed to any public office in this state? Yes No

If "Yes", state the office title, dates in office, level of government (city, county, district, state, federal), and whether you were elected or appointed (if appointed, by whom):

Office Title	Dates in Office	Level of Government	Election or Appointment
N/A			

If your service was on an appointed board(s), committee(s), or council(s):

- (1) How frequently were meetings scheduled: _____
- (2) If you missed any of the regularly scheduled meetings, state the number of meetings you attended, the number you missed, and the reason(s) for your absence(s).

Meetings Attended	Meetings Missed	Reason for Absence
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N/A

Has probable cause ever been found that you were in violation of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Part III, Chapter 112, F.S.? Yes No

If "Yes", give details:

Date	Nature of Violation	Disposition
N/A		

Have you ever been suspended from any office by the Governor of the State of Florida?

Yes No

If "yes", list:

Title of Office: _____ Reason for Suspension: _____

Date of Suspension: _____ Result: Reinstated ___ Removed ___ Resigned ___

Have you previously been appointed to any office that required confirmation by the Florida Senate?

Yes No

If "Yes", list:

(1) Title of Office: _____

(2) Term of Appointment: _____

(3) Confirmation Result: _____

Have you ever been refused a fidelity, surety, performance, or other bond? Yes No

If "Yes", explain:

License/Certificate	Title/Number	Date Issued	Issuing Authority	Disciplinary Action/Date
Teaching Social Studies 6-12	1250883	07/01/17	FL DOE	No
Teaching ESE K-12	1250883	07/01/17	FL DOE	No

Do you affirm that your personal and business (if applicable) affairs within Alachua County are in substantial compliance with all county regulatory and taxing authorities' rules and regulations? Yes No

Section 3 – References and Experience

State your experiences and interests or elements of your personal history that qualify you for this appointment:

I am an experienced educator with a strong background in History and Government, and I have consistently earned highly effective evaluations for the past three years. My journey in education has been enriched by diverse experiences, including my time in the police academy with aspirations of becoming a School Resource Officer. However, my passion for teaching led me back to the classroom, where I've had the privilege of working with students of all backgrounds, including ESE, Gifted, and ESOL learners. Currently, I am in training to become an assistant principal, which has further strengthened my commitment to fostering positive learning environments. I am dedicated to supporting student growth, promoting equity and ensuring all children have the resources they need to succeed.

Please list specifically any degree(s), professional certification(s), or designation(s) related to the subject matter of this appointment:

IEP Case Manager, Department Head, Team Leader, MTSS Co-Chair, District Advisory Member, Threat Assessment Co-Chair
Crop Tutor, EDEP/21st Century Tutor, Assistant Track Coach, School Newspaper Sponsor
Drama Club Sponsor, Student Government Sponsor, Middle School Leadership Academy Sponsor

Please list any awards or recognitions you have received relating to the subject matter of this appointment:

Currently in Alachua County Aspiring Leadership Academy

Please identify all association memberships and offices (including any business, professional, occupational, civic or fraternal organizations) you have held or hold relating in the last 10 years.

Name of the Association **Role** **Dates of Membership**

N/a

Are you currently serving or have you ever served on an Alachua County Advisory Board?

Yes No

If "Yes", please list board(s):

N/A

Do you know of any reason why you will not be able to attend fully to the duties of the office or position to which you seek appointment? Yes No

If "Yes", explain:

N/A

List three persons who have known you well within the past five (5) years. Include a current telephone number. Exclude your relatives.

Name	Organization	Phone Number
Patricia Parker	Alachua County School Board	352-215-5539
Daniel Lathem	Alachua County School Board	352-214-9367
Bessie Criscione	Alachua County School Board	352-339-3752

If "Yes", explain:

Name of Business Relationship to You Relationship to Business Business Relationship to Agency
N/A

Have you ever had a registered lobbyist or have you lobbied at any level of government at any time during the past five (5) years? **Yes** **No**

(1) Did you receive any compensation other than reimbursement expenses? **Yes** **No**

(2) Name of agency or entity you lobbied and the principal(s) you represented:

Agency Lobbied	Principal Represented
N/A	

If you agree, please type or write your initials for each of the following statements:

(1) If appointed, I agree to follow, as applicable to the position, Florida's public records and open meeting laws.

Yes **No**

(2) If appointed, I agree to follow, as applicable to the position, the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Part III, Chapter 112, F.S.

Yes **No**

(3) I affirm that my personal and business (if applicable) affairs within Alachua County are in substantial compliance with all county regulatory and taxing authorities' rules and regulations.

Yes **No**

Optional: Check the Race/Ethnic Group with which you identify:

(This information helps us provide diversity on our advisory boards.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	African American	<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bi-Racial / Multi-Racial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hispanic
<input type="checkbox"/>	Native American	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pacific Islander	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	White	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other

I understand that this completed application is the property of Alachua County and I hereby certify that the statements made on this application are true and correct (must be read and checked).

To complete the application, download and save it to your computer, then complete the application and save it again. Once it is complete submit it by email to ctuck@alachuacounty.us or fax at 352-264-6703.

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BRT/Dean

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Experience

Alachua County School Board / BRT/Dean

August 2024 - PRESENT, Westwood Middle School

6th Grade Dean

MTSS - Co-Chair

Threat Mangement Co-Chair

District Advisory Council Representative

Alachua Aspiring Leadership Academy

Alachua County School Board / Instructor

August 2016 - June 2024, Fort Clarke Middle School

Civics/US History/World Cultures/REACH/Science

Gen Ed/ ESE Co-Teacher

Social Studies Department Head

7th Grade Team Leader

JROTC Commander of the Falcon Battalion

7th Grade Student Council Sponsor

Assistant Drama Team Sponsor

IEP Case Manager

Alachua County School Board / 21st Century Instructor

November 2015 - July 2016, Metcalfe Elementary School

Robotics Teacher

Assistant Program Administrator

Alachua County School Board / Job Coach

November 2015 - June 2016, Lofton/Hawthorne High School

Farm to School Job Coach

Alachua County School Board / Instructor

August 2015 - June 2016, Newberry High School

World History/Government/Economics

Newspaper Sponsor

Crop Tuor

Assistant Track Coach

Education

American College of Education / Masters In Ed Leadership

July 2025 - Present, Online

University of West Florida / Teacher Alternative Certification

May 2016- May 2017, Online

University of Florida / BA in History

August 2011- August 2013, Gainesville FL

Broward College / AA

August 2008 - August 2011, Pembroke Pines FL

Publications

A New Look at the 1770 Boston Massacre,

July 2024

[A New Look at the 1770 Boston Massacre — History is Now Magazine, Podcasts, Blog and Books | Modern International and American history](#)

Comparing the Structures of Government of the EU and United States, June 2024

[EU Bootcamp Lesson Plans - Jean Monnet Center of Excellence](#)

The Manuscripts of Timbuktu, June 2018

https://africa.ufl.edu/files/Irohin_2018_june10_forweb.pdf

My Teaching Philosophy:

As a Social Studies teacher, I have found that the most important thing we do as educators is to prepare our students for the real world. That is why I believe in instruction that is unbiased, strengthens character, and is accessible to all.

To begin with, my learning community encourages freedom of thought among students while at the same time respecting the differences that make each of them so unique. For example, when teaching historical events, I present multiple perspectives to ensure students understand that history is complex and often viewed differently depending on one's background and experiences. This approach helps students develop critical thinking skills and form their own informed opinions.

Second, the characteristics of leadership, perseverance, and discipline are promoted daily in my classroom through the use of historical examples and influential figures who demonstrate these traits. For instance, I highlight figures such as Frederick Douglass, Eleanor Roosevelt, and Cesar Chavez to showcase how these qualities have driven impactful change. By connecting these traits to real-world success, students gain a deeper understanding of how these values can shape their own futures.

Finally, when creating lesson plans, I strive to teach the content in ways that make it accessible to all my students. I incorporate differentiated instruction strategies such as station rotations, hands-on activities, and technology integration to ensure every learner can engage meaningfully with the material. By connecting historical concepts to students' lives, I make the content relatable rather than just a series of random facts they forget once class is over.

I believe that if all of this is done on a daily basis, then we as educators are setting up the next generation for success in the challenges they will face moving into the 21st century. Through the delivery of unbiased instruction, encouraging character growth, and promoting differentiation, I believe that we can help all students reach their full potential.