

WE'RE THE EXPERTS IN APPLYING EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES IN EDUCATION.

# COMPANY OVERVIEW

At Beyond the Research, we read the research so you don't have to. We provide professional development, coaching, curriculum design & revision, as well as advisement and program evaluation to help you implement what current research presents as evidence-based strategies in teaching and learning.

## WHO WE WORK WITH



#### SCHOOLS & PRESCHOOLS

With more than a decade of experience in education we help educators expand their impact and promote positive outcomes for children.

#### Our clients:

- Improve students' academic proficiency
- Build social-emotional skills
- Limit behavioral disruptions
- Have the tools to work with children with special needs
- Learn how to use data to drive instruction



#### NONPROFITS & AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Our work involves collaborating with any organization that operates in any kind of learning environment, regardless of whether they serve children or adults.

#### Our clients:

- Build capacity for their teams on best practices in teaching & learning for both academic and recreation activities
- Expand their impact
- Improve diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives
- Have the tools to work with children & adults with special needs
- Enhance programs that foster academic and social success



#### **PRIVATE COMPANIES**

Our expertise in project management, program evaluation, and curriculum development provides our clients with expert advisement and solutions.

#### Our clients:

- Produce products & publications that align with the latest research
- Present webinars, workshops, and professional development that highlight evidence-based practices
- Create products that are teacher friendly and allow educators to differentiate instruction and meet the needs of all learners



#### FAMILIES

We support families of children with disabilities in advocating for and implementing changes that produce positive outcomes.

#### Our clients:

- Better understand the needs of their children and help caretakers implement best practices at school and at home
- Have a sincere and knowledgeable advocate for their child during IEP/504 meetings
- Are able to efficiently work with teachers and administrators for the implementation of evidence-based strategies

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- Professional Development
- Consulting
- Speaking Engagements
- Workshops and Trainings

HOW WE SERVE OUR CLIENTS

- **Program Evaluation**
- Course Development
- Executive & Strategic Planning
- Curriculum Revision
- Teacher & Interventionist Coaching



## **KNOWLEDGEABLE**

- Ph.D. in Education from Southern Methodist University
- M.S. and B.S. in Special Education from Florida State University
- Author and co-author on several peer-reviewed journals and book chapters
- Fluent in English and Spanish



#### **EXPERIENCED**

- Over 15 years of experience working in classrooms from preschool to doctoral level teaching & research
- Worked with some of the top minds in the field of education and education research
- Extensive expertise in bringing research to practice

## **OUR AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

### THE SCIENCE OF READING **ENGLISH & SPANISH**

- Extensive research and teaching experience in the science of reading including literacy acquisition and foundational reading skills
- Co-author on several peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters on the topic of literacy
- Delivered numerous professional development workshops and trainings on the topic of literacy acquisition, the science of reading, and evidence-based strategies for students with learning disabilities in reading (including Dyslexia)

## SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Executive Director of a national non-profit supporting students with Learning Disabilities
- Bachelor's and Master's degree from Florida State University in Exceptional Student Education
- Coordinator and Research Manager for IES studies including & working with students who have Learning Disabilities, Dyslexia, Autism, and Intellectual Disability

## **BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT**

- Taught students with Emotional and Behavior Disorders and had the least number of behavioral disruptions in the school
- · Created & taught graduate level behavioral intervention courses
- Experience teaching and applying practical strategies to minimize challenging behaviors and deescalate aggressive situations
- Incorporate both a behavioral and SEL approach when providing professional development and training

## CURRICULUM DESIGN & ASSESSMENT

- In-depth experience of what it takes to develop and refine instructional curriculum programs
- Responsible for training research teams on how to administer and interpret assessments as well as how to manage assessment data
- Assisted with the revision of several curriculum programs for both teachers and families

TO LEARN HOW WE CAN WORK WITH YOU TO CO-CREATE AND IMPLEMENT A CUSTOMIZED PLAN OF ACTION THAT CLOSES THE GAP BETWEEN RESEARCH AND PRACTICE IN YOUR ORGANIZATION, PLEASE CONTACT DR. MIRIAM ORTIZ.

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