

# JOSHUA REICH: IB EDUCATOR

My primary goal as an educator is to provide my students with an interesting, insightful and informative experience that inspires them to love knowledge and grow as individuals. I strive to provide each unique learning style with an opportunity to succeed and a means to master the content in a way that will benefit their own goals in life. To accomplish this I use every tool in the box with a particular focus on the power of the Internet to both enlighten and collaborate.

## QUALIFICATIONS

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- Professional Certification in English 6-12 with the Florida Department of Education
- Certification for Category I and II for IB Theory of Knowledge
- Creator of ReichsClass.Weebly.com, a website for resources and course content
- Highly Proficient in Microsoft Office, Managebac, Edmodo, Zoom and YouTube

## EXPERIENCE

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### **2015 – 2021 Coral Gables Senior High**

**Coral Gables, FL**

- Taught TOK 1 to Juniors focusing on the integration of the AOK's and WOK's as well as the preparation and delivery of the TOK Presentation and the TOK Essay. When the course changed in 2020 I focused on the development of the knowledge frameworks for the AOK's and the creation of the new TOK Exhibition as well as the TOK Essay. The course also supported the students in various IB responsibilities including CAS and EE. Continued to serve as advisor to my cohort of students when they received their Prescribed Titles in Senior Year. In 2019 I trained a colleague who was new to teaching the TOK course. In 2020 with the retirement of a colleague I also served as advisor for all of his students' TOK Essays as well as his TOK Presentations that he was unable to complete due to school closure from COVID-19. Created and posted YouTube videos to assist students in understanding the TOK Essay and TOK Presentation. Achieved final TOK Grades above the global average for May 2019, May 2020 was not provided.
- Taught TOK 2 to Seniors which served as the main exposure of the Prescribed Titles for the TOK Essay. In collaboration with the other TOK 1 teachers I delivered a seminar where we broke down the key terms, approaches and pitfalls to each of the 6 possible titles. Assisted students in the college application process from writing College Essays to managing the transcript and recommendation requirements. Finalized, authenticated and uploaded the HL Essay, TOK Essay and Extended Essay to the IB Ibis upload website. Assisted other teachers in understanding the program. Finalized all CAS Portfolios on Managebac. Met with Seniors to finalize TOK Presentation PPD's upload for moderation. Achieved a minimal 1 point moderation on TOK Presentations for the May 2019 session.
- Created the "Step-By-Step Guide to the TOK Essay" a Power Point slide show to assist students with understanding the complexities of an essay style that they were not accustomed to.
- Taught AP Literature and Composition 11<sup>th</sup> Grade concurrently with IB HL English: Literature Year 1 where I was responsible for both preparing students for the AP Literature Exam as well as facilitating the completion of the IB requirements of the Individual Oral Presentation and the Written assignment. When the IB course changed to HL English: Language and Literature in 2019 I facilitated the HL Essay and the Learner's Portfolio. My AP Literature scores were consistently higher than the global average. Created and posted numerous YouTube videos to assist students in understanding the HL English requirements.

- Incorporated Edmodo as an ongoing digital accessory to my courses and adapted digital participation to the Classroom Participation Program to further differentiate instruction modes and provide additional opportunities for students to contribute more effectively to my courses.
- When the IB Coordinator experienced a family emergency I handled the proctoring of all IB Exams for a period of 2 weeks during her absence.

**2013 – 2015 Deerfield Beach Senior High** **Deerfield Beach, FL**

- Taught the second year of the course focusing primarily on the production of the TOK Essay and the finalizing of the PPD for the TOK Presentations the students completed Junior year.
- Developed innovative Classroom Participation program of Plusses and Minuses that quantified student involvement in order to encourage contributions to the discussion-based course.
- Taught Pre-IB Inquiry Skills course grade 9 focusing on developing writing and research skills as well as Adobe Industry Certification in Photoshop.
- Taught 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade English covering classic and contemporary literature as well as FCAT FSA preparation in 10<sup>th</sup> and SAT preparation in 12<sup>th</sup> as well as focusing on college essay preparation for the Seniors.

**2005 – 2013 Blue Coast Realty** **Miami, FL**

- Owner and Founder of Real Estate Brokerage focusing on the sale and marketing of residential and investment properties.

**2003 – 2005 Deerfield Beach Senior High** **Deerfield Beach, FL**

- Taught the Senior year of TOK focusing primarily on the production of the TOK Essay and the finalizing of the PPD for the TOK Presentations the students completed Junior year.
- Taught 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade English covering classic and contemporary literature with a focus on passing state FCAT assessments.
- Co-creator and Keynote speaker for innovative 10<sup>th</sup> Grade FCAT Writing Seminar that resulted in a school wide increase of a full point on the 5 point scale, helping the school to increase it's grade from a D to a C.

**2000 – 2003 Thyweb Internet Design** **Miami, FL**

- Owner and Founder of web development company focusing on creating and maintaining the internet presence of small to medium-sized businesses.

**EDUCATION**

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**1997 – 2000 University of Miami** **Coral Gables, FL**

- BA in Philosophy
- Graduated Summa Cum Laude with 3.8 GPA
- 2 Year President of Phi Sigma Tau – Philosophy Honors Society
- Founded the independent alternative newspaper The Eye publishing 8 issues

**1994 – 2000 Hialeah-Miami Lakes Sr. High** **Hialeah, FL**

- Graduated with Honors, Silver Knight Nominee in Journalism
- Editor-in-Chief of the “Trojan Times” school newspaper
- Varsity Football, Wrestling, Golf

