

# Lizzy May

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Arts & Diverse Learning Educator  
Teacher Coach  
Engagement & Inclusion Consultant



## MY MODEL

- I use my background in Diverse Learning and Theater education to promote effective, participatory instruction online and in the classroom that works for all learners.

## MY VISION

- Hybrid online/classroom models of instruction are a challenge for educators everywhere. Arts integration, innovative assessment models, and participatory instruction are more essential than ever if we want our students to learn in a meaningful way.
- My background in creative, student-centered instruction for all learners can play a pivotal role in orienting your school's instruction towards growth.

## MY EXPERIENCE

- I have consulting experience in schools and with the Chicago Children's Theatre, piloting online curricula and assessment tools and coaching the Teaching Artist Team in participatory pedagogy.
- Through consulting with a team of CCT administrators and experts at the Lurie Children's Hospital, I've created trauma responsive online workshops for students.
- Through my involvement in schools and online instruction, student engagement, trust, leadership and internalization of content showed marked increases.

# COACHING & CONSULTING CREDENTIALS

## Online Instruction Consultant for the Chicago Children's Theatre

- Created curriculum and assessment materials for synchronous zoom instruction
- Trained and coached teaching artist staff on engagement, participation and learning

## Executive Director of arts education nonprofit Backyard Chicago

- Consultant for several schools on arts integration
- Presenter at Ingenuity's Arts Education Conference 2019 on Backyard's innovative trauma responsive curriculum and model
- Trained team of teaching artists on curriculum implementation

## Trauma Responsive Curriculum Consultant for the Chicago Children's Theatre

- Partnered with Lurie Children's Hospital to develop online workshop series

## Teacher Coach at Piccolo School of Excellence

- Mentored new and struggling teachers weekly through observation and feedback cycles
- Demonstrated improvement in Danielson ratings for Diverse Learning instructors and higher gains for students

## Specials Team Lead at Piccolo School of Excellence

- Implemented observation and assessment measures in arts classrooms to notable increase in student engagement per student surveys

## Anti-Racist Pedagogy Facilitator for staff at Piccolo School of Excellence

- Using 5 Essentials and teacher Survey Data showed a significant increase in student voice and relational trust



## WHAT I CAN OFFER YOUR SCHOOL

- Engaging unit & lesson plan templates for online instruction
- Innovative assessment tools for online instruction
- One on one or team coaching for teachers tackling a new terrain
  - Technology
  - Engagement
  - Online pedagogy
- Coaching for arts educators translating instruction online
- Trauma-responsive education for students
- Consulting for educators designed to increase student learning and retention through trauma-responsive, arts-integrated lessons

