

DAN HOEKSTRA

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ABOUT ME

I am a high school instructional technology coach and science teacher who loves to learn new things and is excited to share this new knowledge with others. I lead students and teachers to think creatively as they use technology to create stronger learning experiences.

EDUCATION

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| 2015-2018 | Master of Arts in Educational Technology, <i>Michigan State University</i> , GPA: 4.0/4.0 |
| 2005-2008 | Master of Arts in Educational Policy & Leadership, <i>Marquette University</i> , GPA: 3.9/4.0 |
| 1997-2002 | Bachelor Degree – Double Major in Biology & Chemistry for Secondary Education, <i>Calvin College</i> |

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| 2015-Present | Instructional Technology Coach , <i>Grand Rapids Christian High School</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Works with educators and help them improve their teaching by incorporating technology into their lesson plans• Trains staff on how to use their email, grade book, Google Drive as well as other technology tools• Works with students on Digital Citizenship as well as with other technology heavy projects• Helps create and lead professional development opportunities at my school |
| 2008-Present | Science Teacher , <i>Grand Rapids Christian High School</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teaches AP Biology, AP Biology Lab, biology, chemistry and forensic science• Designed and started the AP Biology course at GRCHS.<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 97% pass rate on the national AP Biology Exam• Created and teaches a two-week forensic science course called “CSI: Grand Rapids”• Trained in inquiry methods by Van Andel Education Institute |
| 2003-2007 | Science Teacher , <i>West Allis Central High School</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Taught AP Biology, biology and chemistry |

COACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2003-Present **Cross Country Coach**
- Grand Rapids Christian High School: Assistant boys and girls coach (2007-present)
 - State Champs: Girls 2010, 2013, & 2014; Boys 2014
 - West Allis Central High School: Head boys coach (2003-2006)
- 2003-Present **Track & Field Distance Coach**
- Grand Rapids Christian High School (2009-present)
 - West Allis Central High School (2004-2007)

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certification in Educational Technology – Michigan State University
- Michigan Profession Education Certificate
 - Biology 6-12
 - Chemistry 6-12
 - Educators Technology (NP) Endorsement

MEMBERSHIPS

- Active member of Kent Educational Technology Specialists (KETS)
- Member of the Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning (MACUL)
- Member of the National Association of Biology Teachers (NABT)
- Member of the Christian Educators Association (CEA)

AREAS OF PASSION & EXPERTISE

- Technology Integration
- Blended Learning
- Personalized Learning
- Online Learning
- Creating Profession Development
- Teacher Training
- Educational Leadership