

# Thomas Emery

## EDUCATION

<b>Center for Montessori Education</b> , White Plains, NY AMS Elementary II Credential	2011
<b>Bank Street College of Education</b> , New York, NY Masters of Science in Education	2010
<b>Boston University</b> , Boston, MA Bachelor of Arts, Psychology	1994
<b>Chaminade University of Honolulu</b> , Honolulu, HI	1989

## EXPERIENCE

<b>Brooklyn Heights Montessori School</b> , Brooklyn, NY <b>Upper Elementary Teacher and Upper Elementary Curriculum Coordinator</b>	September 2006-present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Taught 4th, 5th and 6th grade math and language arts.</li><li>• Taught nine culture units based on trimester long, three-year cycle.</li><li>• Foster positive and professional relationships with students and families.</li><li>• Advisor to 4th-6th grade students in a three-year cycle.</li><li>• Create and present curriculum sessions for parents.</li><li>• Conduct intakes and assessments of prospective students.</li><li>• Mentored new faculty, supervised and supported multiple assistants.</li><li>• Developed and implemented Montessori math curriculum making program more American Montessori Society aligned.</li><li>• Coordinate and lead annual upper elementary overnight trip.</li><li>• Coordinate, organize, and lead weekly curriculum team meetings.</li></ul>	
<b>New York City Department of Education</b> , Brooklyn, NY <b>Substitute Teacher</b>	September 2005-2006
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PS 29, Brooklyn New School and Brooklyn Collaborative School.</li></ul>	
<b>Independent Film</b> , New York, NY <b>Producer</b>	September 2002-2005
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Produced short and feature length films.</li></ul>	

**The Caedmon School**, New York, NY

September 1999-June 2002

**Head Teacher** – 3rd/4th grade classroom

**Assistant and Associate Teacher** – 5th/6th grade classroom

- Developed and implemented Montessori curriculum.
- Presented curriculum for open houses and parent events.

**Independent Schools**, New York City

January-June 1999

**Substitute Teacher**

- Served pre-K through 12th grade.
- Placed in short- and long-term substitute positions in fifteen schools in Brooklyn, Manhattan and Queens.

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**Emerging Leaders Presenter** at The Montessori Event, Washington, D.C., March 2019

**Emerging Leaders Fellow**, American Montessori Society, 2017-2018

**AMS Conference Workshop Presenter:** “Hot-Topic Montessori Roundtables”  
Annual Conference, Denver, March 2018

**Montessori Conferences:** NYC, Philadelphia, San Diego, Denver, and Washington, D.C.

**School Accreditation Committee Service:**

Dual AMS/MSA onsite visit team, Baltimore, MD, 2018  
NYSAIS decennial onsite visit team, Albany, NY, 2012

**Strategic Planning Committee Service:**

Served on and provided Montessori expertise to two Brooklyn Heights Montessori School Strategic Planning Committees to develop a five-year academic and administrative plan, 2008 and 2013

**Curriculum Development Teacher Training:**

WTTI, Expository Writing Instruction, Part 1, June 2018  
Positive Discipline, Two-Day Workshop, October 2017  
Singapore Math, June 2015 and November 2016

**NYSAIS Workshops:**

Cultivating Leadership In and Out of the Classroom, 2016  
Ned Hallowell, Attention, Memory and Classroom Engagement, 2016  
Using Google Apps to Streamline Your Workload, 2013  
Michael Thompson, Parent-Teacher Relationships, 2008

## **LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY**

**Upper Elementary Curriculum Coordinator, 2019-present**

**Chair of the Faculty/Staff Advisory Group for Head of School Search, 2018**

**Co-Chair of the Faculty/Staff Parent Affinity Group, 2018-present**

**Emcee for the All School Music Share, 2018, 2019, 2020**

**WARE Affinity Group Member and Co-Coordinator, 2018-2019**

**Varsity Assistant Track & Field Coach, Spring 2019**

**Cross-Country Coach, Fall 2019**

**Supervised Student Teacher** from The City College of New York School of Education in Elementary and Montessori Curriculum, Spring 2017

**Co-Facilitated Parent Diversity Book Group Evening Discussion**

*Blind Spot: Hidden Biases of Good People, 2017*

**Co-Authored Two BHMS Journey Magazine Articles:**

“Fostering Brave Leadership at Frost Valley,” 2018

“Singapore Math,” 2017

**Montessori Materials Videos for School Website**

Filmed Parent Education Videos, Spring 2015

**Served on Various BHMS Committees:**

Chair of The Learning Kitchen Committee, 2011, the Diversity Committee, the Scheduling Committee, Music Teacher Hiring Committee, 2018, Upper Elementary Lead and Assistant Teacher Hiring Committees, including coordinating interviews and interview lesson support to all candidates, 2013-2015

**Co-Chair of the Faculty and Staff Annual Fund Campaign, 2010, 2013**

First to reach 100% faculty and staff participation in the School’s 50-year history