

Maya Constantine

Maya Constantine is the Associate Director of Residencies at the Center for Excellence and Equity in Teacher Preparation (CCETP) at the University of Delaware. She holds an undergraduate degree in Fine Arts Photography from the University of Delaware and a Master's degree in Special Education with a focus in Autism and Severe Disabilities from Wilmington University.

Maya has taught Visual Arts in various grades throughout the state, mentored inexperienced educators and held district and building-level chair positions. Throughout her teaching career, she has delved into learning opportunities and professional development of all types. Maya understands the importance of working in a team and preparing teachers for daily instruction with an updated and equitable approach to classroom management. Students who entered her classroom were welcomed into a community where differences in cultures, identities and backgrounds were celebrated and equity was standard. In the future, she hopes to continue supporting new teachers in the UD Teacher Residency Program (UDTR) with inclusive practices, positivity and reflection.

Maya's interest in Montessori began when her daughter was born and she realized how well the child-focused Montessori Philosophy fit in with their family's plan to raise a well-rounded person. She continues to advocate for more public Montessori schools in Delaware for families who want to build their communities starting with equal opportunity in education.