

Joel Leegwater

- Objective:** To obtain a position in the field of Physical and Health Education in which I can utilize and apply the skills and knowledge I have obtained through teaching and beyond.
- Employment History:**
- Legacy Christian School, Grand Rapids, MI (08/05-Present)**
Physical Education teacher grades K-8. Middle School Athletic Director.
- Hamilton Community Schools, Hamilton, MI (01/05 – 06/05)**
Long-Term Substitute in Physical Education K-5 (Bentheim & Blue Star Elementary)
- Muskegon Christian School, Muskegon, MI (12/03-12/04)**
Physical Education teacher grades K-8. Middle School Athletic Director.
- United States Marine Corp Reserve, Battle Creek, MI (1999 - 2006)**
Served six years with Bridge Company Alpha. Received Marine of the Year in 2001-2002. Received Marine Corp Times: Marine of the Year – honorable mention in 2003. Served and led troops in Operation Iraqi Freedom (2003) and was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal.
- Education:**
- Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI (2005 – Present)**
Seeking a Master of Arts degree in Pedagogy.
- Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI**
Graduated (12/2003) with a Bachelor of Arts in K-12 Education with a focus on Physical Education (K-12) and Health (7-12).
- Professional Growth:**
- Michigan Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (MAHPERD),** Member since 2001 – *MAHPERD Major of the Year in 2002.*
- American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD).** Member since 2008.
- National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE),** Member since 2008.
- American Association for Physical Activity and Recreation (AAPAR).** Member since 2008.
- Activities:**
- Legacy Christian School, Grand Rapids, MI (2005 - present)**
Coached girls 8th grade basketball, girls 7th grade basketball, boys 7th grade basketball, girls 8th grade softball.
- Muskegon Christian School, Muskegon, MI (2003-2004)**
Coached 7th-8th grade boys soccer and 7th-8th grade girls soccer.
- Oakdale Christian School, Grand Rapids, MI (2000-2001)**
Coached girls 7th- 8th grade softball and girls 8th grade soccer.
- Kelloggville Christian School, Grand Rapids, MI (Winter 2001)**
Coached 7th grade boys basketball.
- Lakeshore Youth Soccer, Holland, MI (1999)**
Coached boys soccer.
- Personal:** I am very social and outgoing, my passion is watching, playing, and coaching sports, I believe in keeping a healthy body, as well as promoting health to others and I strive to use all my gifts to the best of my ability.