



NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE
Character Education
Certificate

Course Facilitator



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Jessica is a 2020 graduate of North Central's Educational Leadership degree program. She completed the Character Education Certificate following graduation.

After graduating with a bachelor's in English with a focus in secondary education from Illinois State University, Jessica began her career in district 202. She has taught most levels of English as well as co-taught honors courses. She also works with new teachers as a part of the Illinois Education Association mentor program. Upon completing her educational leadership degree, she was appointed to a dean's position at Plainfield South High School where she directly applies her knowledge and experience with character education with the students she sees on a daily basis.

Commenting on the Character Education Certificate she states, "I admire North Central's constant passion to help improve and support current educators and school climates. I have used the information in the modules to improve conversations and climate initiatives in my own school, and am grateful to be able to now serve as a facilitator for the course. It is inspiring to see how other educators and administrators plan to use the information from this program in their own schools. I truly believe that when educators from various schools and journeys connect, more can be accomplished in our schools."