

Will Reed teaches integrated math and science courses to sophomores at Gwendolyn Brooks College Prep. He is also an Area Teacher Leader for an Illinois State Board of Education professional development program for K-12 Illinois science teachers.

As an undergraduate at the University of Chicago (UChicago), Mr. Reed studied chemistry (BS, 2008) and worked in a research lab on the organic synthesis of insulin-mimetic compounds with potential use in diabetes treatment and medical imaging. He first became passionate about science education as a learning laboratory technician and teaching assistant in the UChicago's Biological Sciences Collegiate Division. In 2012, he completed an MAT degree in Secondary Biology Education at UChicago.

Mr. Reed has taught math, physical sciences, life sciences, and Earth and space sciences at various grade levels from 5th grade to college. He has acted as an assessment and curriculum developer and as a professional development leader for CPS's Office of Science. He has been a founding coach of Science Olympiad programs, held summer teaching positions at the Chicago Botanic Garden and the UChicago Laboratory Schools, and written on topics in science education in an international publication. He has worked with several area universities and museums on K-12 education initiatives, and is a member of national science and math teaching professional organizations.

Mr. Reed hopes to inspire students to build a lifelong interest in nature, design, and careful creative reasoning.