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Jodi is a BC Certified teacher, with over fifteen years of professional teaching experience. She has always introduced topics of discrimination, racism, and bullying into her classroom lessons and never lost her drive to *make a difference*. Jodi is very proud to be the BC Coordinator for *Voices into Action* and the founder of *Imperative Education*. She wholeheartedly believes that opening the dialogue on sensitive yet topical subjects with heart, mind and creativity can be highly transformative for students and their communities.

