

Beginning at the age of 6, Ashley Adamson played “school” in her basement for hours on end and dreamed of one day becoming a teacher. One Christmas, she received a “Let’s Play School Kit” that came with real teacher materials! Little did Ashley know that 18 years later her dream of becoming a teacher would become a reality. More importantly, what she didn’t realize was that 14 years into her teaching career she would still have the same passion and excitement as that little girl playing school in her basement years ago.

During her ten years in Portsmouth, Ashley has taught six grade science, robotics, fourth grade, and third grade (her current position for the past five years). In addition, she has taken on various other roles including student council advisor, robotics coach, STEAM camp coordinator, softball coach, passionate educator, and mentor.

Ashley takes pride in getting to know her students and their learning styles in order to provide a guaranteed and viable curriculum for all. Her daily lessons consist of small group, differentiated instruction which stems from assessment data and self-reflection. She is open to all feedback and consistently works to improve her practice.

Ashley enjoys opening her classroom to others. She has hosted numerous lab classrooms for programs she piloted, district initiatives, student teachers from other classrooms, and most notably her co-teaching style with her special educator. In addition, Ashley is always seeking professional development experiences that she can bring back to her classroom, school, and district.