

Miss Katie

Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education and Early Childhood emphasis from Minnesota State University, Mankato

MN Licensure: Elementary Education with a pre-primary emphasis-Age 3-6th grade

Why I teach:

I have always loved working with children, I am the oldest in my family of cousins and babysat/nannied a lot growing up. One summer as an 11 year old, I made it a goal to teach my kindergarten bound cousin to read before school started. I knew in High School that I wanted to be a teacher after college and proceeded to take all the classes my school offered for students interested in education. I then chose a college that was known for its education program. After graduation, I subbed for awhile and ended up at an Early Learning Center where I fell in love with teaching preschoolers and I taught Pre-Kindergarteners there for 14 years. While this center unfortunately closed its doors in 2020 due to covid 19, it led me to Eastern Carver County Schools and the StormHawks Preschool program. Here, I can continue my love for teaching and help my community's littlest learners grow and thrive. My favorite thing about preschoolers is that they are literally sponges that soak everything up and get so excited to learn new things. Their excitement is contagious and keeps me going everyday.

Teaching since:

2004

About me:

I live in Victoria with my husband and two children. My daughter is 14 and starting High School this fall, my son is 11 and in his last year of elementary school. We have a young and energetic dog named Luna and a grumpy old cat (he is 15 years old!!) named CJ. In my free time I enjoy reading, playing board/card games, and spending time outside with my family and friends.

A few of my favorite things:

Children's Book: Harry Potter series or Big Pumpkin

Disney Movie: Frozen

Snack: Corn Chips with salsa, guacamole, or queso

Candy: Reese's PB cups

Drink: Cherry Coke or Dr. Pepper

Vacation: Going to the north shore with family

Dream Vacation: Hawaii or Europe

Team: Not a huge sports fan (aside from my watching kids) but do root for MN teams, Vikings, Twins, and Wild

Color: Purple