

The Teacher That Rhymes with Laser

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One of the most compassionate teachers you will ever meet at Golden High School is Megan Fraser. It's her first year at GHS, and she loves the new environment, the vibe, the special traditions, and the community of the staff and students at this school. Fraser teaches reading, writing, and literature. Get it? "Fraser rhymes with laser."

Along with the community, she has a great family to support her. She has a sister (who has been a great companion throughout her life!) and she now has a nephew, who is turning two! She has a lovely cat named Percy (who she is completely obsessed with! Who doesn't love a cuddle buddy, especially a fluffy one?).

Another thing you should know about Fraser is that she is so cuckoo for books. You can talk to her about any book. Her favorite author is Octavia Butler, who writes science

fiction books and short stories. Fraser's favorite book is "Kindred" by Butler. She recommends it if you love science fiction.

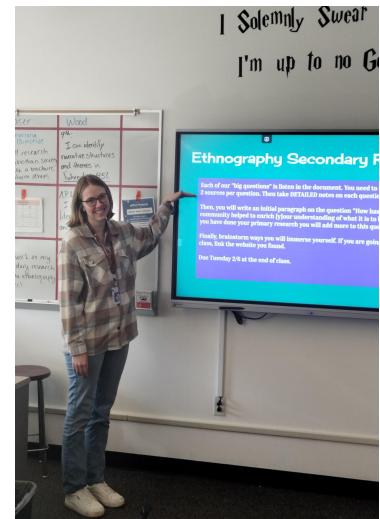
Her passion for books allowed Fraser to combine her love for reading and writing to become an English teacher.

If you are in Fraser's classroom, never be on your phone. It is her biggest pet peeve!

"If you are on your phone being a zombie, you're not living your life," she says. It is not fun for Fraser to be a "stickler", as she said, she just wants the best for all her students.

In the beginning, being a teacher was not always her dream job. When Fraser was a little girl, she wanted to be a "book editor" but now that she's older she realizes that she "really wanted to be a teacher and now I get to live the dream" Her favorite subject was English, but she also took Spanish from 7th grade through 12th grade.

Her favorite part of her job is hanging out with her students and getting to know them. Fraser triple majored in college. She majored in International Affairs, Spanish, and Literature. After her senior year of college, she moved to Spain to attend the University of Grunoota. At first, she found living in Spain a little difficult but it eventually got easier for her. She lived with a host family who were very nice to her.



Another thing Fraser loves is hiking. Last summer, she hiked a 14er on the Bierstadt mountains. She loves cooking, watching movies, and playing indie board games as well. She also has a Nintendo Switch (which most students wouldn't expect their teacher to have).

Although it is her first year at Golden, it's not Fraser's first year teaching. Before working at Golden, Fraser taught at Denver North High School. A typical day as a teacher for her is planning ahead of time for what's next and grading things that students have already completed. The skill she uses for her students is community building so she asks things like her attendance questions every day and she likes to make real-world connections with us.

"Why are we doing this? Or why is that important?" Fraser likes to use different types of media like short videos or graphic novels, she wants to learn things from students all the time. "Y'all teach me some interesting things...The most fun thing to learn from people are things that they're passionate about."

She feels like students share interesting stuff about "music or albums or songs or movies." Fraser hopes that students leave her classroom feeling like "I truly cared about them and I want the best for them," but most importantly she wants us to "walk away feeling good and valued here." She is a wonderful teacher here at Golden and we can't wait to see what she brings to the future.