



Issaquah High Staff Profile

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What is your education background?

B.A. International Studies, University of Washington

B.S. Mathematics, Indiana University

M.T.M.S., Seattle Pacific University

Did you grow up around Issaquah? If not, where did you grow up and did that help shape the person you are today?

I grew up in Kent, less than one mile from where my great-grandparents, great-aunts and uncles and grandparents settled. Along with learning to value family and community, living in the PNW taught me to love the outdoors.

What was your job/career before coming to teach at Issaquah? If you had a prior job/career, how did that job/career make you become a better teacher?

My first career after college was with PACCAR as a warranty specialist. While I appreciated a paycheck, it was during this time that I started searching for work that brought me joy. Within a year, I was on my journey to become an educator.



How many years have you been teaching at Issaquah?

This upcoming school year will be my 6th at IHS

What classes at Issaquah do you teach, and why do you love teaching that subject?

Previously, I taught Algebra, Geometry, Precalculus and Leadership. Mathematics, to me, is the language of the universe. I've loved sharing that appreciation with students.

Any favorite teaching memories?

During one lesson on proportions and ratios with an algebra class, a group of students asked if they could plan a pizza party. After my response, "Why not?", I sat back and admired their initiative, inclusion and camaraderie, as well as their application of proportions while determining cost.

Are you a club mentor or sport coach and if so, what are the best parts of being a mentor/coach for that club/sport? Any memorable experiences you would like to share?

I have previously coached with both the girls and boys basketball programs. I enjoy the process of practicing and improving craft – both individually and as a team.



What do you like to do outside of school?

I like to be outdoors, especially in wooded areas or in the mountains. I also love to travel. This past year, I took an Amtrak around the country for two weeks.

