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When did you know you wanted to be a teacher?

When I was in my last year of high school I did a randomly set up co-op position in a day care because I couldn't decide what I wanted to do for college. After 1 week at the center I was in love with the atmosphere, environment and children. From then on I couldn't see myself anywhere else.

What is your favorite thing about your job?

Watching children accomplish something they have been working on. I love seeing the process of a child mastering a new skill and the pride on their face when they finally succeed brings me the most joy. I'm so happy I get the chance to be a part of that success.

What is your favorite thing about Niagara Nursery School?

I'm really proud of our program and the dedication we all put towards staying on top of the newest developments in Early Childhood Education. We have become a strong team and I think we are a great representation of an emergent program that embraces all new developments like nature based play, risky play, and child led activities.

What is a moment that has impacted you in your career?

It's not so much one moment as a period of time that has impacted my career the most. In the course of my career so far I've had the chance to work in a classroom that has had a few children with differing abilities at one time. It was a very challenging journey for me but definitely opened my eyes to how many different kinds of needs are out there. This time challenged me to adapt to my environment and inspired me to further my education of strategies to help children with special needs in the classroom.

Who inspires you?

There are a lot of people who inspire me. Professionally, people who embrace nature in an educational setting and help others understand the benefits of that. I get a lot of inspiration every day from my co-workers as their brilliant ideas spark something inside me that motivates me to be a better teacher. But most of my inspiration comes from my mom. She was and still is always

there for me to help and support my goals, my dreams, helps me get over obstacles, and become the best person I can be. I know in the world that there are some children out there that may not have a support like that and if I can help a child be confident in their growing journey even just a little bit like my mom helped me then I will be a happy teacher.

What is your favorite quote?

I'm a big reader so I come across quotes all the time that inspire me and my favorite changes constantly. However I have 2 that really have struck me as insightful lately.

'Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn' ~ Benjamin Franklin

'When you capitalize on a child's interests, the child learns that life is interesting.' ~ Mary Gordin