

MY JOURNEY TO BECOME A TEACHER

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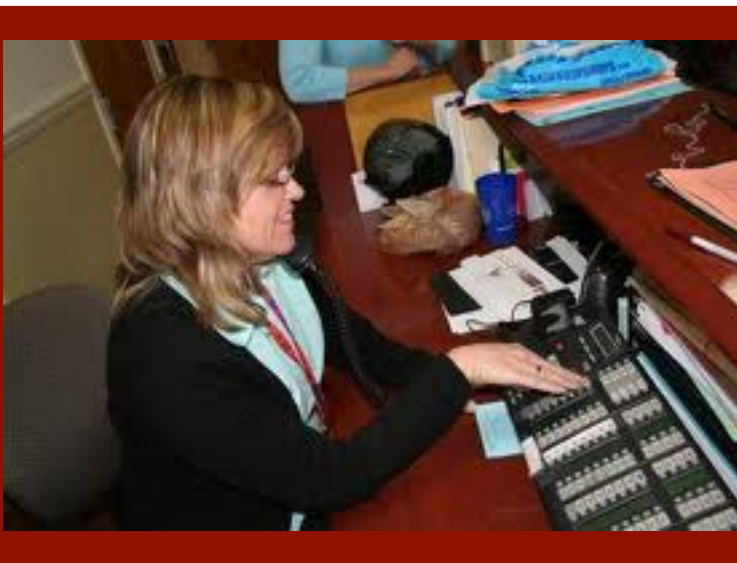
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MY FIRST JOB AFTER LYNDSEY WAS BORN

When Lyndsey was 3 years old, I decided to go back to work. I knew that I wanted a job that allowed me to stay home with the kids in the summer, so I looked for a job in a school district. I started working in the cafeteria as a cashier at Crossroads Middle School in the West Shore School District in 2004.



Crossroads Middle School



In April of that year, I was informed that the building aide position in the office was opening. I applied and interviewed with the principal and got the position. The building aide was responsible for basic receptionist skills.

FROM OFFICE TO LIBRARY

After two years in the office, the position of library secretary opened. I applied for the position and got it. There was an increase in the number of hours that I worked. This is job is where I knew I wanted to become a teacher. I loved being able to interact with the students! I started taking 2 on-line classes at HACC while working 35 hours a week.



In order to finish all of the classes I needed to take, I quit my job at the school district in 2011 and attend HACC full-time for 1 year.

PENN STATE GRADUATE 2014



In the fall of 2012, I transferred to Penn State Harrisburg to receive my teaching degree. I will be certified to teach Kindergarten through 4th grade.



I am hoping to have my own classroom when I graduate in 2014.



Even though I will be older than most students when I get my teaching certificate, I feel I am showing my children that no matter how old you are, you are never too old to learn.