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University Prep Schools provides a culturally responsive educational experience for our scholars that builds that academic competence, habits of work and scholarship, and self-actualization empowering them to successfully accomplish their post-secondary plans, as well as socially and civically engaged as change agents for themselves and their community.

CREW PROFILE

Who or what inspired you to become a kindergarten teacher?

Most people say that they were inspired to become a teacher because of all of the amazing educators they have had, but I had quite a few bad ones throughout my time in school. I have always wanted to prevent other students from having their own negative experiences, so I became a teacher. I want to provide a loving and supportive environment for all scholars, and that starts in Kindergarten.

What do you love most about teaching Kindergarten scholars?

The best thing about teaching Kindergarten, in my opinion, is getting to see every students' smiling face each morning and having them tell me how happy they are to be in school. Even throughout the difficulties of virtual learning, my scholars still are ready and excited to learn each and every day.

What advice do you have for parents who are seeking a school for their kindergarten scholar?

When seeking out a school, I would make sure that the environment fits the personality and expectations for your scholar. Social and emotional well-being is just as important as academics, so having a school that checks the boxes in all of those categories for you will help your student succeed and grow.

Describe a memorable experience that you have had with a Kindergarten scholar in your classroom?

I just started teaching Kindergarten in January 2021, so I have not had the opportunity to work with my scholars in person at all. However, I am still having so much fun with my class over Zoom. My favorite times are our "dance breaks" because I can really see each students' personalities come out and have fun.

What philosophical saying or belief do you live by?

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world"- Nelson Mandela.

