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**UNIVERSITY PREP  
SCIENCE AND MATH  
ELEMENTARY**

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?***

I was inspired by all the great teachers that I had as a student to give back what was given to me.

***What do you love most about teaching Kindergarten scholars?***

I love setting the stage for them to begin their life-long academic journey.

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

I would say do your research as well as ask questions of parents that have school-age children about their experiences with their Kindergarten Scholars. Also, visit the schools that you are interested in for a tour and classroom visit.

***How does U Prep's program prepare Kindergarten scholars for their educational journey?***

In Reading, they will be able to recognize, name, and write all 26 letters of the alphabet, both uppercase, lowercase, and sounds. They will also be able to encode and decode CVC words and they will be able to read over 50 high-frequency sight words. Students will use these words and spelling patterns to write complete sentences. They will also engage in level text and identify story elements such as character, setting, and major events in a story. In math, they will be able to identify the components of a calendar, days, weeks, and months. Students will write, recognize and represent numbers up to 20. They will also be able to count to 100 by 1's and 10's. Students will perform basic single-digit addition and subtraction to 5 and 10 using number bonds. They will be able to identify 2D and 3D shapes and describe their attributes.

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

Kindergarten 2020-2021 has been very memorable because my scholars show up every day to give 100% of what they have and it does not go unnoticed.

***What philosophical saying or belief do you live by?***

I live by the belief you have what you say. Speak life over your scholars and your destiny.