

ESE Staff Spotlight

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Valeska Simmonds :: Site Supervisor

Work Experience: This is Valeska's fourth school year with the ESE program at Forest Dale Elementary. Prior to her work with ESE, she supervised a K+ program at Fall Creek and Hoosier Road Elementary for the YMCA in Fishers. She has also worked for the MSD of Pike Township as a lead teacher in their Loving Care Kindergarten program.

Fun Fact: Valeska is currently writing a book.



James Whiteley :: Assistant Site Supervisor

Work Experience: James has worked with the ESE program since the fall of 2008. This is his first year as an Assistant Site Supervisor. He has a degree in Environmental Studies.

Fun Fact: James is a fun guy to be around!



Patricia Marlene Tyree :: Facilitator

Work Experience: Patricia has worked as a teacher, seamstress, accounting clerk and photographer.

Fun Fact: Patricia is a professional photographer and loves to sew and do crafts.



Sharmesha Jackson :: Facilitator

Work Experience: Sharmesha has worked in two different townships as a substitute teacher. She also works at Target. She is a senior at Devry University studying Technical Management and Human Resources.

Fun Fact: Sharmesha loves to cook and bake and she is very good at bible trivia.



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Amani Refaat Sadek :: Facilitator

Work Experience: Amani is in her first year with the ESE program.

Fun Fact: Amani likes to run and bring Egyptian food to her co-workers!



Elizabeth Anderson :: Facilitator

Work Experience: This is Elizabeth's first year with the ESE program. She is a student at Ball State University.

Fun Fact: Elizabeth would like to work at a school for the deaf after graduation.



Tatyana Liyah Muchnik :: Facilitator

Work Experience: Tatyana has been an art teacher for 20 years. She works at the Indianapolis Art Center. Many of her students at the art center have gone on to win national awards.

Fun Fact: Tatyana enjoys drawing and painting, but most of all, she loves being with her 8 month old son.



Zachary Tyler :: Inclusion Facilitator

Work Experience: Zak has four years as an autism aide in South Bend, Indiana. He also has worked for nine years as a groundskeeper at Robin Hood golf course in South Bend, Indiana.

Fun Fact: Zak played four years of soccer, basketball and golf in high school. He also coaches fifth and sixth grade girl's basketball.



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Molly McGeehan :: Facilitator

Work Experience: Molly volunteered at Prairie Trace Elementary reading to kindergarten students. In her senior year at Carmel High School, she did volunteer work at Orchard Park. This is her first full school year at Forest Dale Elementary.

Fun Fact: Molly loves to play soccer.



Emily Stowell :: Facilitator

Work Experience: Emily worked at the Children's Library as a volunteer and later as an employee.

Fun Fact: Emily wants to join the Peace Corp and live in Africa when she graduates from college.



Ryan Duffy :: Facilitator

Work Experience: Ryan is entering his second school year with the ESE program.

Fun Fact: Ryan is a senior at Carmel High School, and he loves to play back pack scavenger hunt!



Andrew Painchaud :: Facilitator

Work Experience: This is Andrew's first year with the ESE program. He is currently a senior at Carmel High School.

Fun Fact: Andrew is an accomplished musician and will be teaching our music clubs this year!



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Eric Nolan :: Facilitator

Work Experience: Eric is going into his fourth school year with the ESE program at Forest Dale Elementary. He spent the summer working for the Carmel Clay Parks and Recreations grounds crew and loved it!

Fun Fact: Eric graduated this year from Ivy Tech! Yeah!

