

**Tabbatha Braley teaches 8<sup>th</sup> grade science in Pearland, Texas**

**Tabbatha's profile:**

**Hometown: Dallas, Texas**

**Major at TAMUG: Marine Biology, 2006**

**Number of years in classroom: 2**

**How I motivate my students to learn: I motivate my students to learn by being as silly as I can. I always tell my students straight off that I love science and I know they won't all love it, but it's important to learn and I make it as fun as possible.**

**My long term career goals: To teach on the high school level**

**Favorite part of my job: When the lightbulb goes off in my student's heads.**

**Least favorite part of my job: Discipline issues**

**Last Book I read: The Sword of Truth series by Terry Goodkind**

**My Hobbies: Birding, kayaking, and reading**