

Emily Wright teaches 6<sup>th</sup> grade social studies in Killeen, Texas

Emily's profile:

Major at TAMUG: Maritime Studies, 2004

Why did you choose a career in teaching? After I got married I moved to Killeen, where I substitute taught. I enjoyed it so much that I decided to teach full time, and I have never once regretted it.

Number of years in classroom: 4

Extracurricular sponsorships/coaching assignments: History Club

Other subjects taught: 7<sup>th</sup> grade Texas History

How I motivate my students to learn: I try to provide as many hands-on activities as I can.

My educational philosophy: I believe that if students enjoy their education and respect you as a teacher, they will be more successful in the classroom and in life.

My long term career goals: I hope to remain in the classroom because that is where I feel I can make the most difference.

Favorite part of my job: Watching a struggling student become successful

Least favorite part of my job: Dealing with hostile parents. =(

Last Book I read: Atlantis Found by Clive Cussler

My Hobbies: Cooking, reading, taking care of my two children