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Teacher Feature

1. Your full name

•Mae Lynn Kubitz

2. What do you teach and where?

•6th grade at Taft Elementary School in Wyandotte

3. How long have you been at that school?

•14 years

4. Where did you grow up and where were you educated?

•St. John the Baptist Catholic School, Robichaud High School, Central Michigan University (bachelor's degree), Eastern Michigan University (master's).

5. Main reasons you decided to become a teacher.

•I had hoped to be a missionary one day. Children's innocence, gifts, unique personalities and inquisitive minds make teaching a joy.

6. Who was your greatest inspiration when you were a child and why?

•Mrs. Lynch – she was my high school English teacher who believed that any student could succeed, including me.

7. Best thing about your job?

•The children!

8. Worst thing about your job?

•Not enough time to get everything accomplished that is asked of by the district, and what I believe to be to be important as well.

9. Best recent development in education?

•Coming back to teaching life skills.

10. Worst recent development in education?

•Determining a child's ability with a state test.



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11. If you had a magic wand, what would you provide for your students?

•More real-life experiences outside of the classroom.

12. Finish this statement: Kids today need to _____.

•...value work, their authorities over them, discipline, the gift of education and each other.

13. If you had to choose another profession, what would it be and why?

•I wouldn't, I enjoy the work I do.

14. What are your hobbies and interests outside of school?

•I enjoy the out-of-doors, especially hiking, sacred music and reading.

15. Best advice to pass along to beginning teachers?

•Enjoy the children. Be patient and never stop learning.

16. Best advice to pass along to parents of kids in school?

•The best teacher a child could ever have is a loving parent. Allow your child to learn from their mistakes so they can become all they're destined to be. Teach them to love God, others and their country.

17. Look into your crystal ball and tell us what you see in the future for American education.

•It doesn't look good, in my opinion. Our country's family values are being assaulted in politics, the media and in the classroom ever since honoring God in the public schools — as our Forefathers intended — has been removed.

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