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Biography

I have been teaching preschool for 4 years in a multi-age classroom. Prior to that, I worked in many different aspects of the corporate world. I am married and have 3 children, a girl, 11 and two boys, 8 and 5. I graduated from the University of Minnesota with a B.A. in History. I have recently received my Kansas Teaching License in Unified Early Childhood and will receive my Master's in Early Childhood Education from the University of Kansas this spring. In my spare time, I enjoy quilting, biking and reading.

Project-"Diversity ins People & Nature"

The goal of this project is to provide enhanced educational experiences for the children about people, cultures and plants. The core concept is people start out small (as babies) and change as they grow.

Although people may not look the same, do the same things or live in the same kind of houses, we are alike because we all wear clothes, eat food, grow and learn. Plants also start out small (as seeds) and change as they grow, but when plants are fully grown they are not necessarily all the same either. Teaching children about how people and nature are similar yet unique and highlight the interrelationship plants and people have (i.e. we need to have food to eat and plants give us food) provides an important link for children to understand the larger world around them.



The outcome of this project is a theme unit box on diversity in people and nature. There will be literacy and science activities embedded throughout this project as well as a culminating class project: a video documentary of the process made and narrated by the children.