



I have been teaching kindergarten at Freedom Academy since the doors opened in the fall of 2002. There is no other place on Earth like a kindergarten classroom, and I feel fortunate for the opportunity to be a part of one. I earned my bachelor's degree from Utah Valley University and have since earned a master's degree in Integrated Teaching through the Arts from Lesley University. Teaching core subjects through the use of visual arts, storytelling, poetry, music, and movement creates an energy of cooperation and learning in the classroom that makes learning not only effective, but fun as well.

I grew up in Mesa/Chandler, Arizona. However, Utah County has been my home since I graduated from Mesa High School and began attending BYU. I currently live in Salem and am the mother of five sons. My favorite things to do are quilt and read...especially historical novels. One day I may even write one of my own! I also enjoy singing, playing the piano (but only for 5-year-olds), and giving piano lessons. I love visiting stores that sell books, puppets, music, and fabric!

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