Personal VPod Information

Hi everyone! My name is Ms. McClung and I am so excited to see what the year has in store. I have created a video about myself that will hopefully help you to get to know me a little better. To start out, here is a little bit of background information about me.

I am twenty years old. I was born in Fort Worth, Texas, but I have lived most of my life in Arkansas. I am the oldest of four children. I have two brothers and one sister. My brothers names are Austin and Carson. Austin is nineteen and he attends college at Pulaski Technical College in Little Rock. Carson is fourteen and he is in the ninth grade. My sister's name is Maggie, she is thirteen and in the seventh grade. My parents have been married for twenty-five years this year and their names are Christy and David. My mom is a teacher, which helped to cultivate my love for students and love for teaching and my dad works to start churches all across the state. I also have a boyfriend named Wesley who attends Arkansas Tech University. We have known each other since we were in Kindergarten and we have been dating for a year and a half.

Some of my goals regarding my teaching career include a deep desire to get a masters degree in gifted and talented education. I was in the gifted and talented program when I was in elementary school and it had a large impact on me. I loved my gifted and talented teacher and she sparked a love for puzzles and critical thinking activities within me. I would love to be able to be that teacher for students because of the impact that my teacher had on me. I also have a deep desire to get a masters in dyslexia intervention. I have grown to have a deep love for dyslexic students. The more that I come to learn about dyslexia, the more that I come to desire to help the students that are affected by this learning disability. My boyfriend has dyslexia so between learning about it in class and talking with him about it, I have developed a deep desire to help dyslexic students to the best of my abilities. I believe that by getting a masters in dyslexia intervention it will help me ensure that my students that struggle with dyslexia will have the greatest chance at success.

One crucial piece of my teaching philosophy concerns diversity in the classroom. I believe that diversity in the classroom should be embraced, encouraged and celebrated. I think that it is important to teach students about a variety of cultures so that they can understand that each culture is beautiful and that no one culture is more important than others. I think that it is also important that each student feels loved and wanted in the classroom and teaching cultural awareness and acceptance is an important key to that.

I intend to integrate technology into my classroom through the use of computers. Students will use computers to build research skills, deepen comprehension, and view concepts from a variety of perspectives. I believe that it is important for students to have a well rounded understanding of each topic and I think that the use of technology can aid in this tremendously.

This will also give students a well rounded understanding of how to operate computers which will help them in the technologically advanced society that we live in today.