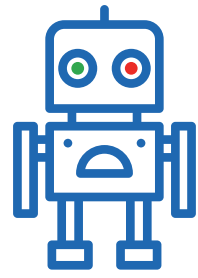


# STELLAR



# ALUMNI

## NAME

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## CAREER

Educator (Kindergarten Teacher)

## EDUCATION

Bachelors of Science in Elementary Education  
University of Central Florida

## TEAM

Team 1902, Exploding Bacon

## YEAR(S) ATTENDED THE ORLANDO/ FLORIDA REGIONAL AS A STUDENT

2006-2012



## HOW HAS *FIRST* IMPACTED YOUR LIFE PROFESSIONALLY AND/OR PERSONALLY?

*FIRST* is a family affair for me. My entire family is involved in *FIRST* in some way, shape, or form. From being a student participant, mentoring teams, helping at regionals, and even being a regional director it is forever ingrained in my family's life. I am also a third generation *FIRST* participant as my grandparents were very involved in *FIRST* as well and I even met my husband through *FIRST*.

Professionally, *FIRST* has taught me the importance of STEAM. How early involvement in these areas can help students find a love for these subjects but also teach them how important they are in making our world a better place. I now try to incorporate STEAM in all aspects of my classroom.

## HOW HAS WHAT YOU LEARNED IN *FIRST* HELPED YOU SUCCEED IN YOUR CAREER?

*FIRST* has taught me gracious professionalism within my job. It has also taught me how to collaborate with a variety of people to work towards a similar goal. It has also taught me that it is important for students to have hands-on experiences and be given opportunities to think for themselves and learn from mistakes in a nurturing way.