

## **More Than Just A Teacher BY LINDSAY BATES**

Ms. McBride might only be a Junior English teacher to you, but if you get to know her you see so much more amazing things about her. Something I saw with her that you don't see with a lot of other teachers is she's a very life positive person. She is also very caring. She is a person that you could go to and tell her stuff and know that she won't judge you.

She is part of a smaller family (only one older sister). But, you can tell she is very close to her family and friends. When we were talking about her family her eyes lit up and you could tell she was very happy. She has a boyfriend and step kids. Just because they aren't related by blood doesn't mean they aren't close. She goes to their football and baseball games a lot. She also loves spending time with her nephew. She always tries to make time for her family. She also has a dog named Daisy. Daisy is a husky whippet (the mutt). A funny story about Daisy is, Ms. McBride had a swab sent to Dog DNA to find out what kind of dog she is. Daisy has been part of her life since June 2008. One thing that makes her happy is being with friends and family. "I'm happy when my friends and family are happy."



Ms. McBride's dog , Daisy Mae.

**"I'm at my happiest when my friends and family are happy."**

Now, just because she's always happy doesn't mean she didn't have to work hard in life. She has worked very hard in school to get to the top. She has a Master's Degree from University of Louisville (UofL), a Bachelor's degree from Indiana University Southeast (IUS), and is currently attending UofL for another Bachelor's degree. Her favorite subject has always been English and Art (hence what she teaches). And something to show she kept pushing in school is that she was the first in her family to go to college. Her teachers and mom were the ones that pushed her in life to go to college and were role models for her.

Honestly, with her being a teacher I didn't expect such a life from her just because

grading papers and planning lessons takes a lot of time. But, she has so much more of a life than just school. She loves going to the beach even though she can only go once a year. She is a very big UofL fan. She walks Daisy every day, and goes to the gym four to five times a week. Also, since she's so big about being with family she makes a lot of time for them, a lot of times if she's not at school she's hanging out with friends and family.

She is a teacher because it's her passion, and she loves making a difference in the life of her students and helping them become better people. Educating the youth is very important to her. She loves being around kids and having relationships with them. Also, she says that the biggest accomplishments in her life are making a difference in student's life, and the day she became a teacher. She has always wanted to be a teacher, she has thought of other jobs but being a teacher was always a choice for her. She was a social worker but, she ended up with teaching.

She is a very kind, loving, and caring person so if you ever need someone to go to she will be a great choice. She always listens to what everyone has to say and doesn't judge. She is also a person that can cheer you up; I know that because she makes everyone happy by just talking to them. Just talk to people, you never know what you can find out about them until you talk to them.

Ms. McBride, with her boyfriend and his kids, on the beach in Seaside, Florida.



Ms. McBride, with her boyfriend, at a UofL game