

In The Spotlight

Jason McGee

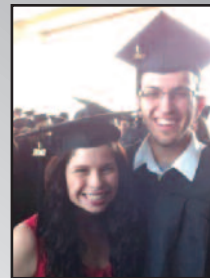


My name is Jason Emile McGee. I am from Iowa, Louisiana and graduated in 2008. During my senior year at Iowa High School, I decided I wanted to be an early childhood teacher after observing a number of my former elementary school teachers for one of my classes. I began my Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education in the fall of 2008. During my time in college, I met a number of inspirational teachers and

colleagues who taught and assisted me in my journey to becoming a teacher. I graduated from McNeese State University in the spring of 2012.

Today, I live in Lake Charles with my fiancé and I teach at Brenda Hunter Head Start. I have been teaching in Head Start for three years. Due to my success in Head Start and my creativity in my Dramatic Play/House Keeping and Science/Discovery Center, I was recently honored to present at LAECA 2014. I believe that Dramatic Play is key to social-dramatic development in all students. I utilized my creativity to demonstrate how creating new and exciting free-choice centers are important to that development.

To me, the most rewarding experience is to see my three year olds interacting and modeling the new roles in our Dramatic Play, such as a Mad Scientist, a Paleontologist, or the Scarecrow from "The Wizard of Oz." To see such young children interested in learning and smiling about new and far-fetched characters is so rewarding. It is always an accomplished feeling when they are using higher order thinking words or modeling someone new they've never heard of before; that is when you know you have succeeded as a teacher.



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