

What is your favorite thing about being a teacher?

- "I love seeing a student understand a concept they were struggling with. It makes everything we do worthwhile"
- "Working with kids"
- "The connection and interaction I have with my students. Hands down!"
- "Building relationships with students and helping them with their future goals"
- "Teenagers. Ironically, they're much more mature than adults"
- "I get the opportunity to change a child's life every day. There are not many professions that get the opportunity to do that ever, let alone on a daily basis"
- "The 'aha' moments when students finally get it"
- "The students. I love working with kids and helping them become good people"
- "Making connections with students and watching them love to learn"
- "The kids love for learning and seeing them make connections and all of the growth they experience"
- "Encouraging students to think outside the box and embracing their strengths"
- "Seeing the growth from the beginning of the year to the end of the year"
- "My favorite part is when a student shows appreciation for you as a person. It makes you feel like it's all worth it"
- "Having time off in the summer is definitely a perk of the job"
- "Being able to spend my day with students"
- "Seeing my students grow academically and emotionally"
- "I really like being a support for kids (both academically and emotionally) and seeing them grow/make progress academically"
- "My favorite thing is building relationships with the students and the 'ah-ha' moments where you can see the kids finally get something they've been working on. I love seeing students be proud of themselves for working hard"
- "Interacting and joking with students. Making them smiles. Being something positive in their lives, especially when their home lives are not. Watching them walk across that graduation stage-something that was a huge obstacle for many of them to achieve"
- "Seeing kids smile and laugh"
- "I love getting to see the growth the students show throughout the year and the relationships we develop with one another. At this point in the year, my class feels more like a family and we have fun and laugh together, as well as grow and support one another"
- "I love the positive influence I have on my students. No matter how old they get, they still remember me and come back to visit"
- "My students and the connections I made with them"

- “The moments when I feel as though I truly am making a difference. Moments when someone tells me I’ve had a small part in changing his/her life”