



## ELL Curriculum Writer

# Jenn Clampet

Jenn Clampet is an ELL Curriculum Writer at Schoolwide, Inc. Some of Jenn's earliest childhood memories include those of her playing "teacher" on her bedroom floor. She can still see her stuffed animals lined up in a perfect row, ready to learn from their eager and motivated "teacher." While her current students may look quite different from these fond memories, today she is still equally eager and motivated. Jenn began her teaching career in the Bronx, where she taught first graders for 3 years and acted as the Lead Teacher for both her grade level and the ESL department in her final year. In 2008, an amazing opportunity came her way to begin teaching fourth grade in the Harrison Central School District. Jenn has co-taught the ESL SIOF classroom for the last 2 years, and she has co-coordinated the ESL homework club for the past 3 years. Every day, she leaves work feeling fulfilled, just as motivated and eager to reach her students as she was decades ago on her bedroom floor.

While working in Harrison, Jenn has had the opportunity to write reading, writing, and math curricula, mentor fellow colleagues, and lead several professional development experiences. She presented to the HCSD Board of Education on the workshop model and district-wide curriculum changes influenced by the Common Core. She has taught the district's SIOF course for 3 consecutive years and has presented a course focused on language acquisition and academic vocabulary during the district's annual literacy institute for the past 2 years.

While she does believe a true teacher was born on that bedroom floor, her formal training came later when she attended Pace University in Pleasantville, NY. She graduated in 2005 with a major in Elementary Education and a minor in Psychology. The following semester, she enrolled in a TESOL Master's program through Mercy College, which she completed in May of 2009. She feels passionate about sheltered instruction and making content comprehensible for language learners.

Jenn's greatest professional accomplishment is the success of her students. Being a teacher has fulfilled her childhood dream, and each day she strives to further hone her teaching skills. Having the opportunity to work for Schoolwide has been the icing on the cake for Jenn. Being able to collaborate with such smart and talented people has been an amazing learning experience. Jenn's greatest personal accomplishment is her two-year-old daughter, whom she enjoys learning and laughing with. Jenn enjoys traveling to warm destinations and spending time with her family.

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