

## Teacher Spotlight: **Sasha Schneider**



Sasha and her boyfriend, Robby, on their way to a Ducks game

I was born in Eugene, Oregon and moved to Portland when I was three years old. I went to Ainsworth Elementary school and I was a part of the Spanish immersion program from kindergarten through eighth grade. This had a profound impact on the course of my studies and career choice. I attended the University of Oregon for my undergraduate degree and Lewis & Clark College for my Master of Arts in Teaching.

I **love** to travel! I lived and studied abroad in Rosario, Argentina for four months, as well as Oviedo, Spain and I have been lucky enough to travel to many other places as well. I love immersing myself in new cultures, meeting new people, trying new food and exploring cities. As a result, some of my hobbies include taking thousands of pictures, speaking Spanish, and eating great food (is that a hobby?) :)

I also enjoy being outdoors, going camping, hiking, being active in any way, helping out in the community and doing creative projects. I snowboard as often as I can, which turns out to be not so often, and recently I am trying to learn how to golf. At one time I could not tell one golf club from another, then three years ago I met my boyfriend and now I am a huge sports fan (who knew!). It still seems crazy to me, but I really do enjoy watching sports and I go to as many games as I can! Go Blazers! Go Ducks!

My life centers around my family and friends; I would do anything for them. I have twelve aunts and uncles and twelve cousins who I am all very close with. My ideal vacation would be a family reunion with all of them; it would not matter where we went as long as we were together. I love to laugh and smile and I think one of the most important things in life is to be happy (which I am), and to make others happy as well.

My favorite color is blue, my favorite number is 23, my favorite food is anything my dad cooks (yes, he is the cook in our family, my mom does not touch the stove) and my favorite book of all time is *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*, which I read when I was in sixth grade. Because of that book, I fell in love with reading. Nothing beats getting lost in a fantastic book and being taken to a new world inside of your head.

I have always known I was going to be a teacher and this is my first teaching job! I had no idea that a place like AllPrep Academy existed, and now that I am involved I am amazed daily with all the challenges and rewards. I can already tell that this is a very special school with amazing students and teachers. I am very happy to be a part of it all. I wake up every morning excited to start working and I am really looking forward to my future as an AllPrep Academy teacher.

**SAVE THE DATES!**  
(Email the contact person listed below for more info)

Nov - Jan 27 .... Dance Class on Wednesdays  
(Grades 4-12)

Contact [lmartin@allprep.us](mailto:lmartin@allprep.us) for more info.

Nov 4 ..... OMSI Labs  
(Grades 3-8)

Contact [jseretan@allprep.us](mailto:jseretan@allprep.us) for more info.

Nov 11 ..... Veteran's Day—Holiday

Nov 12 ..... Costa Rica Fundraiser  
EAT AT CHEVY'S!!!!

Contact [jfullilove@allprep.us](mailto:jfullilove@allprep.us) for more info.

Nov 23-27 ..... Thanksgiving Break

Dec 2 ..... OMSI Labs  
(Grades K-5)

Contact [jseretan@allprep.us](mailto:jseretan@allprep.us) for more info.

Dec 7 ..... Earth Science Road Tour  
(Middle school/high school)

Contact [jseretan@allprep.us](mailto:jseretan@allprep.us) for more info.

Dec 19-Jan 3 ... Winter Break



Please note: Some of these trips require advance sign up and possibly a small fee, so please check with the contact listed above as soon as possible if you are interested in attending! Check our website for updates.

## **Congratulations!** **Cecely Welin**

### **NOVEMBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH:**

Cecely, one of our 9th grade students, earned a “golden ticket” from her teacher, Ms. Seretan, for “excellent grades—excellent progress”.

There will be a drawing at the end of the quarter for a \$50 gift certificate (for those wishing to participate). Keep up the good work everyone—the more golden tickets in the hat, the better your chances of winning!



## \*\* Counselor's Corner \*\*

One of my mentors is Wendell Berry, a writer and farmer from Kentucky. Once, when asked what a person needs to do to live well, part of his response was, "Live three-dimensionally." What does that mean? As an AllPrep student, you have to spend a lot of time by yourself in front of a computer. Most of you probably also watch television and play video games, and spend time texting friends. What do all of these things have in common? They all involve two-dimensional screens. These screens have taken over much of our lives.



So how do we spend more time in the third dimension – the dimension of people, living things, and objects we can manipulate? Think of activities you do now and those you would like to try. In what do you participate (like sports teams, youth groups, family business, etc.)? How do you want to stretch yourself, or try new things? What elders do you know who could use your help with chores, and whom you could listen to in order to glean a little wisdom? What skills can you learn based on present curiosity or future goals? What can you observe, and what questions can you come up with, by spending an hour a day outside in an area that's mostly green? *How can you live three-dimensionally?*

Your AllPrep counselors,  
Kevin Terpstra, Wendy Roller and Laurel Auda-Capel

## Intro to Dance and Movement—*Good things are happening!*

The Intro to Dance and Movement class has been enjoying some great artistic expression as well as some fun time to build student connections. Seven students are enrolled in AllPrep Academy's first dance class. The students are learning ballet based jazz technique, stretch and strengthening choreography, improvisational work, and much more. Soon students will be exploring their own choreography abilities and enjoying a live performance together. What a great way to earn elective credit! Get a workout, learn something new, meet friends, explore the arts, and earn .5 elective credit. ***Be a part of it!***

Class meets Wednesdays, 1:30-2:30, at Clackamas Dance and Performing Arts Center through Wednesday January 27, 2010. There is still time for you to get involved in something great. Contact AllPrep Teacher, Lynsey Martin, at: [lmartin@allprep.us](mailto:lmartin@allprep.us) for more details. Activity fee is \$5.00 a week.





## Hola familias de AVE:

Me gustaría reconocer el progreso académico de algunos alumnos de AVE. Este mes tenemos 26 alumnos quienes han logrado sus metas académicas por los meses de septiembre y octubre. Por su esfuerzo recibieron una beca de \$50 del Instituto de Mexicanos en el Exterior (IME). IME es una rama del gobierno mexicano que promueve la salud y educación de Mexicanos que viven fuera de Mexico. IME apoya proyectos como AVE para brindar la oportunidad de estudiar a todos los Latinos en Estados Unidos y Canada. Entonces felicidades a los siguientes alumnos y siguen adelante en sus estudios.



Rosa Andrade, Carmen Urbano Resendiz, Rogelio Marquez Guadarrama, Leslie Osuna, Saida Valenzuela, Jessica Alberto Arzola, Mayra Magaña, Gerson Chavez Aviles, Brenda Ayala Jimenez, Sarai Duarte, Roberto Valle, Mercy Chavez Aviles, Vicente Anguiano, Wendy Baez Lopez, Jose Cardenas, Maria Lozoya, Laida Moncada Garcia, Casandra Monsivais, Diana Moreno Velsaco, Getsemani Ramirez, Jesus Ramirez, Shamanta Ramirez, Esaul Rodriguez, Jazmin Rodriguez, Jonathan Torres Negrete, Rafael Tovar Juarez.

Me hace pensar en las palabras de gran poeta chileno, Pablo Neruda

*“Nunca olvides que la causa de tu presente es tu pasado, como la causa de tu futuro es tu presente.”*

Creo que estos alumnos entienden bien la lección de este refrán y van a lograr un futuro muy brillante.

*Del Bernardini, Director, De La Academia Virtual de Éxito*



## A Note From Our Principal:

We are off to a great start in our staff development this year. We have crafted our School Improvement Goals and the teachers are working in Professional Learning Communities with a focus on student learning and achievement.

Our Open Houses were well-received and I had a chance to meet and talk with many of our families. I love this part of my job. I have been hearing about some wonderful things being accomplished by our students and have witnessed several opportunities for students to come together and interact with their teachers and peers.

Our theme is rigor, relevance and relationships. Building relationships is the cornerstone upon which all the rest of what we do is based. Without strong relationships, student success cannot occur. My goal is to build as many relationships as I can with our students and their families this year. My door is always open and I'm available by phone or email. Let's continue to have a great year with lots of successes.

Sincerely,

*Joni Tabler, Principal*





## Summer 2010—Study Abroad in Costa Rica!!!

Dear AllPrep Community Members,

You are invited to join AllPrep for our summer 2010 study abroad in Costa Rica. Costa Rica is a safe country with endless learning opportunities in the arts and sciences. We are partnering with EF Tours to ensure that both learning and safety are top priorities.

Enrollment has been extended through November 30th. Currently, thirteen participants are enrolled and there is room for more travelers. Teacher Jennifer DiMaggio will accompany me as a co-leader and chaperone for the entire tour.



The current fee for students is \$2,056 and is all-inclusive (airfare, hotels, meals, curriculum, guides and teachers, entrance fees, boat and bus transportation, etc.) The only things that are not included are the 2 meals during flight, tips, and spending money for souvenirs. Passports will also need to be purchased. The adult fee is \$2,361 due to higher entrance and hotel fees. These prices are the lowest you will find for such a high quality study abroad.

Travel dates will be 8-11 days that fall between July 29 and August 16, 2010. I would like to provide you as much information as possible about this experience of a lifetime. You will find the links at the end of this message very helpful.

By participating in this study abroad, students will earn 1.0 elective science credit with the bonus of Spanish conversation practice, immense learning, and rich life experience. EF Tours has a great reputation and has been used repeatedly with great success by several of my colleagues and students.

This opportunity is open to Allprep & Early College middle and high school students (including this year's 5th graders), and any interested family members or friends over the age of 6 (children under the age of 13 should travel with a parent or guardian). It is possible for relatives or friends to depart from other locations than Portland.

Please contact me at either [jfullilove@allprep.us](mailto:jfullilove@allprep.us), or 503-867-0473 if you have any questions.

Fundraising will be organized by all involved parties; there will be numerous opportunities. I have Chinook Books available for those that would like to use them in fundraising.. Other fundraising options will be presented. For example, EAT AT CHEVY's in Clackamas on November 12th for lunch or dinner and let your server know that it is to support AllPrep's Costa Rica study abroad. Chevy's will donate 25% of proceeds to Costa Rica travelers!

To enroll, please click on the "pricing" link below. Your group leader is Jennifer Fullilove, and our tour number is 683241.

Muchas gracias, Jennifer Fullilove

The itinerary:

<http://www.ef Tours.com/educational-tours/PriceTours/TourDetail.aspx?TourCode=CRX%20&Year=2010&Product=ET&Tab=itin>

Pricing: [http://www.ef Tours.com/ForTeachers/PriceTours/PrintQuote.aspx?Quote\\_id=825048&Code=45a15ef263ed4c2c&QuoteType=TC](http://www.ef Tours.com/ForTeachers/PriceTours/PrintQuote.aspx?Quote_id=825048&Code=45a15ef263ed4c2c&QuoteType=TC)

Passport info (new): [http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport\\_1738.html](http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html)



### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Joni Tabler, Principal, 503-867-1696, [jtabler@allprep.us](mailto:jtabler@allprep.us)  
Dale Bernardini, Vice Principal, 971-275-2394, [dbernardini@allprep.us](mailto:dbernardini@allprep.us)  
Office, 354 SE Highway 211, PO Box 2631, Estacada, OR 97023, 503-630-5001  
[www.estacadawebacademy.com](http://www.estacadawebacademy.com) ••• [www.allprep.us](http://www.allprep.us)

Next EAPA Board Meeting:

Tuesday, December 1, 2009

5:30 pm at the Estacada Office



**AllPrep** | Academies &  
Early Colleges

354 SE Hwy 211  
PO Box 2631  
Estacada, OR 97023