

Andrea Sumner

I am extremely honored and blessed to introduce myself as the executive director of St. Paul Early Childhood Center! My past experiences, education, and love for Christ have prepared me well for this position at St. Paul. I look forward to putting all my knowledge of working with early childhood students, my education, and my continued call to work in a faith-based school in this position as executive director.

My background includes teaching for fourteen years, thirteen of which have been in parochial schools. I received my bachelors degree and teaching certificate in early childhood education from Northern Illinois University in 2004. I went on to continue my education and in 2012 received my masters in teacher leadership from Roosevelt University. My love for education called me again to go back to school at National Louis University where I earned an additional teaching certificate in elementary education in 2015.

I have a wonderful husband, Josh and together we have an even more wonderful two-year-old daughter, Emma. Both of which I look forward to introducing you to. Being a mom has been absolutely awesome in so many new, exciting, and surprising ways. Watching the world through her eyes I notice the authenticity, vulnerability, laughter, tears, and pure joy that she indulges in every day. I feel so blessed to be a mom and watch her grow, develop her awesome sense of humor, and most of all the discover the world through her curiosity.

I am a believer in the importance of early childhood education. I have made it my life's work to help foster curiosity, challenge students, and developing critical thinkers. My mission to teach the "whole child" includes academic growth, but also physical, social, emotional, and spiritual growth in students.