



**FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**

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The Malvern School of Frazer

Since 2004



### **What is the proudest moment of your time at The Malvern School?**

*I took over many of the Director of Education responsibilities when she went on maternity leave six weeks early. I helped the new Executive Director plan Teacher Appreciation Week and at the end, I was blown away when the teachers presented me with a bouquet of flowers and a gift card! I had been so preoccupied with creating the perfect week for everyone else. It made me beam inside and out that the other teachers would try to do the same for me!*

### **What do you like most about our program or what do you think sets us apart?**

*I always loved how the teachers write their own curriculum. The fact that I write my own curriculum ensures that it is developmentally appropriate not just for the age group but for the specific children in my care. The Malvern School supplies teachers with the tools they need to succeed in writing a lesson plan, such as The Teachers Guide, ELS, NAEYC Standards, and Teaching Strategies Gold Objectives. Along with the guidance from the Director of Education and the Curriculum Coordinator.*

### **What do you enjoy in your free time?**

*I have been interested in art and music my entire life! I play the drums, a little piano, and I taught myself how to play guitar. I'd really like to learn how to play the ukulele next. I sang with choirs for most of my life, but these days I just sing with my students! I have also been writing poetry since grade school.*

### **Any unique or fun facts about yourself?**

*I have my own small jewelry design business named Way sT. oLive Designs. Recently, I have gotten into DIY home projects and this year I built my own decorative fireplace! I've also written several children's books that I hope to get published one day.*

### **What is your favorite children's book?**

*Tuesday by David Wiesner*