

Carolyn Collins: Choose the Positive



Carolyn Collins, special educator at Inglewood, believes that, “even when faced with difficult times, it is important to find a positive solution rather than only see the negative.” She tries to light a candle rather than curse the darkness by “always choosing to be positive about situations and to see the good in people. When I work with a student I always try and see what the student is able to do rather than the things they cannot do. I believe in the motto ‘choose your attitude’ and that every day we are given the opportunity to wake up and make a choice of whether we are going to be positive or not. I have found that it is always easier to choose the positive!”

Carolyn’s colleague and former mentor, Chrissy Kelly, shares, “Carolyn has a positive attitude when approaching student needs and has done a great job working through challenges. She strives to get at the core of what we do as teachers – that we are helping kids...not special ed kids, general ed kids, or gifted kids, but just kids.”

Carolyn started working in North Penn School District in 2015 as a long term substitute and was then hired as a teacher. She graduated from Arcadia University with special education and elementary education degrees as well as an ESL certification. She is currently pursuing her masters in Special Education with Holy Family University. When Carolyn is not in school, she loves to do anything active, especially exercising. She enjoys participating in different races, such as running and obstacle courses. On the weekends you will find Carolyn hanging with her friends and spending time with family. She has two sisters and while she does not have any kids of her own, she does have a very large 170lb dog, Callen, that loves to watch the Eagles with her!