

Compass Chronicle

Exceptional Scholar Services | Spring 2019

Hello Compass Parents and Scholars!

Compass is continuing to grow! That also means that we've had many more scholars to support through their Individualized Education Program documents. Thankfully, we were able to bring on board a few new special education instructors who align with our school's mission and vision!

I am pleased to introduce three new special education teachers: Tracy Clifton, Eva Dwyer, and Lynn Jakuba. These three new teachers have jumped right into our program and are doing a wonderful job of supporting our scholars!



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What's New in Exceptional Scholar Services?

Due to the incredible growth at Compass, we are now partnering with Anchor Solutions, which has provided access to a wonderful team of special educators to help serve our scholars!

Also, our team has continued to focus on Specialized Academic Support (SAI) sessions. We are all truly enjoying supporting our scholars and working together as we continue to grow!



STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Please meet the amazing Tracy Clifton, Special Education Instructor

What is your job title and what are a couple of the things you do at Compass Charter Schools? How long have you worked for this organization?

Tracy: I am a special education instructor and I collaborate closely with the other academic staff, our parents, and scholars to develop individual goals for each scholar and develop their Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). My primary responsibilities include providing instruction and support to scholars with disabilities in the regular classroom. I joined the Compass team in January of this year!

Tell us your “why” for doing what you do here at CCs?

Tracy: I have been a special education instructor for 20 years. Previously, I taught kindergarten and elementary school scholars with moderate to severe disabilities. Being a special educator brings me so much joy! It is truly a rewarding job. When a child makes a breakthrough, I as the teacher, understand the effort required for that breakthrough.

As an educator, is there piece of advice you'd like to share with learning coaches or scholars?

Tracy: Some advice that I would like to share with learning coaches and scholars is that it is OK to make mistakes! Teachers make mistakes and scholars and learning coaches make mistakes too. We can always learn from our mistakes!

Share one thing about you would very few people know?

Tracy: One thing that very few people know about me is that I dislike getting my face wet or getting splashed. The crazy part is that I was a swimmer all through high school!

What do you and your family like to do during your free time?

Tracy: I have a wonderful husband of almost 15 years! We have two children, Caiden (13) and Ava (9). In our free time, we like to try new restaurants around San Diego and go motorhome camping. Our favorite camping spot is at the beach. We usually spend a week at the beach during the summer with friends and family.



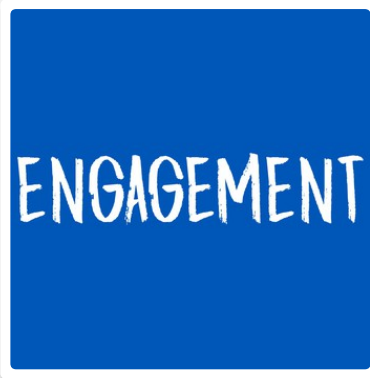
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Are you enjoying the educational experience at Compass? Tell us! We want to hear from you. Why did you decide to join the Compass family? Or, what do you love most about being part of our community? Share your comments and all of your wonderful experiences at Compass with us! [Click here](#) to share.



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