



Hi Charlotte! Welcome to Faculty Feature Friday!
What position do you hold at South Huntington?



I am Special Education Teacher/ Social Studies teacher at Walt Whitman High School

How long have you been teaching here?

This is my 5th year with the district.

Wow!

What's an interesting fact many people don't know about you?



Humm, that I was born in France and came here when I was 9, and that I speak French Influently.

That's amazing! What part of France

The suburbs of Paris mainly, but I did live in the West of France, in a town called Brest.



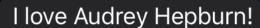


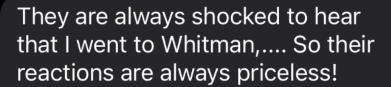
## My neighbors were cows!



Lol!

What's the funniest things you've heard a student say?





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I love being a teacher, because I want to make an impact. The main reason I became a teacher was that my own experience in high school wasn't the best, and I wanted to create a safe space for students to feel like the could be themselves, and be accepted.

I'm sorry to hear that but I also really admire your influence! Describe yourself in 3 words when you were in high school



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I was shy, introverted, and a bookworm.





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Tell me about these pictures

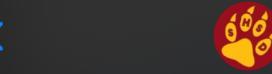
These are two clubs I run,
Ambassadors and Natural Helpers!
This is how I try and make an impact, creating an inclusive atmosphere for ALL students! It has been my goal to spread mental heath awareness to our community during these trying times.

I want everyone to know "It's okay to NOT be okay".

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I love that !! And we appreciate all you do !!

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It's so important

Thank you I couldn't do anything here without my awesome colleagues! I work WITH THE BEST PEOPLE!

What kind of workshops are run in Natural Helpers? Tell me more!

Natural Helpers is a nationally recognized program where middle and high school aged students help their friends. Students who become Natural Helpers are recognized amongst their peers as being natural leaders, and people that others gravitate to for support. Natural Helpers are not professional therapists, rather, they are expert listeners and attempt to help their friends figure out their own issues by talking through them. Students naturally talk with their peers before any other adult, on issues relating to academic stress, mental health



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That's so wonderful, wow

It's one of the most important things
I do at Whitman

I don't doubt that!

We started at a small group, and now have over 60 Natural helpers.





Wow!

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We raised <u>2,700 dollars</u> this year =) ALL TRIBUTE TO THE GREAT KIDS WE HAVE!

Incredible !!!

What's your favorite restaurant in Huntington?

Love Gastronomy !!!

Big Wings fan and they have the best!

**Mmmmm** 

Any pets? Send pic if you do



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The first one is my Puppy Boo Boo, he's 7 months.

And the second one is Yogi

He passed away in January, but will ALWAYS be my fur baby!



Awwww! So cute snd I'm so sorry!

Thank you, Im sure other can relate, hardest thing I had to do as an adult.



Definitely. It's heartbreaking

One last question and I'll let you go. Summer plans?

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Good! You deserve it! Thanks so much Charlotte! Have a great summer!

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Thank you! And you too!