



Ms. Butler

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A Learning Experience that Changed Me:

The reason I became a teacher was because of a class I took in college where we studied the history of race in America and contrasted it with current events. It sparked the urgency for this work I carry still today.

My Favorite Book:

Picking one is impossible. One you might not have heard of is *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt

My Hobbies and Interests:

I love to cook, collect pretty rocks and crystals, and spend time outside, preferably with my dogs.

Prior Experience in Education:

It is hard to believe this is my 17th year in education. I began as an English Teacher in South LA, as a TFA Corps Member, and taught for 7 years before moving into other school and network leadership roles.

Something Super-Unique About Me:

I hold the Butler Family record for youngest waterskier. I was 3!

Why I am Excited About Working at DSST:

Because the work we do is so important and so challenging, and you cannot do it alone. Having the opportunity to learn from and work alongside so many awesome people, in a place that demonstrates a commitment to ongoing personal and professional growth, is why I am excited about working at DSST.