



Dave Law

I love, love, love teaching here at the Met school! I am extremely passionate about education in general, but I have a particular passion for student-led, inquiry and project-based learning. I thrive in a school like Met, where students and staff alike collaborate to achieve the best possible opportunities for learning. My goal as an educator is to create open-minded, critical thinkers who see themselves as global citizens and lifelong learners. I strive to establish a classroom of active learners who think in the long term.

I have a wide variety of interests and hobbies that make me well-suited for being an advisor here at Met. I love art, and in my personal life I engage in things like crafting and costuming, and I have created several of my own graphic novels. I am part of an artists/builders collective called the Castle Boys, who, for many years, built enormous themed structures and hosted live performances for music festivals. I also love interior design and building and have worked on many home renovation projects (my house and others). I also love travel, literature, sports, music, movies, and anything that would be considered “geeky”. I am passionate about many topics, including politics, social justice, history, architecture, and environmental sustainability.

I been teaching in the field of alternative education for over fourteen years in both Winnipeg School Division and Seven Oaks School Division. I have taught all core subjects from Grades 7-9 along with classes such as drama, technology, video production, and business. I have a Master’s degree in mathematics education from the University of Manitoba and have written a book on the subject of inquiry-based learning in math.

60 Second Interview...

Favourite Film – *Aliens*.

Favourite Book – *The Lord of the Rings* series.

Weekend Activities – Chasing my kids around.

Biggest Passion – Teaching (and having lots of passions).

What’s next on the itinerary? – I would like to travel more. I’d love to go back to Central America.

What’s your classroom like? – Always different, always changing. Ideally, students are collaborating and discussing, perhaps engaging in a hands-on project. People are moving around, working on different things. However, sometimes we are simply silently working. It depends on the time and the day, but I try to ensure that everyone is always engaged in a meaningful, authentic task.

Are you married? – Yes.

Children – Yes, Aidan (5) and Madeline (2).

Any pets? – Kind of. Our neighbour’s cat spends about a third of his days with us.

Who inspired you to become a teacher – Mr. Pauls, my high school English teacher. He opened my eyes to the world and helped me become an active participant in society.

Favourite thing to eat for breakfast? – Waffles! And bacon. Also pancakes and sausages and eggs and toast. (Can you tell I love breakfast?)

What is your favourite Quote? “You don’t stop being silly because you get old, you get old because you stop being silly!”

Favourite flavour of Ice Cream? – Cookies and Cream.

What do you love most about Met? – This is hard because I love so much! If I had to pick one thing, it would be the students. We have such an interesting, diverse, unique group of young people here at Met.

How would you describe yourself in three words? Passionate, energetic, and empathetic.