

Hello Arches Academy Family,

I am thrilled to introduce myself as the newest member of the team at Arches Academy! My name is David Reese— I can hardly wait to get started at Arches Academy— a school that has a vision and mission that directly aligns with the things I love about education.

Although I love being an educator, my favorite jobs are that of a husband to my wife (also an educator), Ashley, and father to my three children (Amelia - 15, Julianne - 12, and Edmond - 9), plus one on the way! Beyond that I have a diverse professional background and educational experiences that have prepared me for this role. Prior to entering the world of Education, I was an entrepreneur and business owner. After many years of working for myself, I realized I wanted to spend my time working for and serving others in a more meaningful way; this led me to return to school where I earned my BS in Biology, a BA in Education, an MS in Molecular Biology and, most recently, a post graduate certification in Educational Leadership.

As an educator, I've spent most of my time in the secondary science classroom but recently spent a year working with 5th graders (which I loved!) I have also worked in various administrative capacities throughout these years — as the STEM Director at an International School and the Interim Assistant Principal at an alternative high school.

Right from the start of my educational career I realized that there were ways of creating learning opportunities for students that were more authentic and meaningful. Many of these methods align so beautifully with what the team at Arches Academy is already doing and is found within their mission and vision statements. I believe that our students are more capable than the world gives them credit for and that they can, even at very young ages, become agents of change in their respective communities as we build strong, real-world partnerships and opportunities for our students.

As lovely as this summer has been, I sincerely can't wait to begin working side by side with you as we continue to love, care for, and teach the students of Arches Academy!

Kindly,  
David Reese