

My Inspiration

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Before the year had even begun, we could tell that Mrs. Walczyk was not going to be a normal teacher. We could already relate to her in so many ways. She was so young and vibrant and fun, just like us.

Mrs. Walczyk makes class fun. We play games, make jokes, and she even sometimes raps for us. We have so many inside jokes with her in our class like Ssim Kyzclaw, Cinderella, why trees are awful, and Verb. Mrs. Walczyk's class is never boring. She is always making jokes, and these jokes are what helps us to learn. If we have something funny to help us remember something, of course we're going to remember it!

Mrs. Walczyk is a friend to her students and somebody they know they can always talk to if they need it. I think this is probably the main reason why she is so inspirational. I tell her about my problems all the time through writing. We write bell ringers every day. I put my problems in there. She reads them and then replies. Mrs. Walczyk always stays after school to talk to students. Amanda Daniels, Elizabeth Gass and Melanie Wallace are just a few. She stays after school for hours on end just to talk to people who need it. Without her, who knows how many more students would have committed suicide. Mrs. Walczyk is a lifesaver.

Mrs. Walczyk is my inspiration. She has changed my views on teachers. She always makes jokes, raps and lets us know she is there if we need her. We as students can relate to her on so many levels. She gives up so much just to make our lives that much better. She is not just my inspiration. She is a role model for almost every student in the school. I just hope one day I can be kind, knowing and humble like Sarah Walczyk.