

## KENNA'S EDUCATIONAL INFLUENCES 2004-present







My family has had incredible influence on my life. I am extremely grateful to have been born into this family. They are supportive, kind, encouraging, and I wouldn't change it for the world. Being the youngest of four, I was able to watch my siblings grow and learn. I was able to follow in their footsteps and seek advice. I want to create a caring, comfortable and supportive classroom as I recognize that everyone has different homes. I believe that caring classrooms can give students greater opportunities.



#### I love them very much



# INFLUENCE OF SPORT

#### 2016-2022

Throughout middle school and high school, I participated in multiple sports. I met many different coaches with various coaching styles. I have had positive and negative experiences with different coaches. Each coach has taught me that positive and encouraging energy can change the outcome of a game. Sports have influenced me because I want to create a positive environment within my classroom and encourage them. I want to show my students that opportunities can come from working hard and having a positive mindset.



# GRADE 6- GRADE II

Throughout grades six to eleven I was bullied. In grade six I didn't understand why, soon after I realized it was because of my personality. This was extremely challenging for me because I was being bullied for being myself. I struggled with my personality for a while and ended up changing my whole persona when I moved to Invermere. The bullying continued till grade 11. This influenced me to become a teacher because I want students to feel comfortable in my classroom. I want to teach the importance of being yourself and being kind to one another.



## COACHING GYMNASTICS 2019-2024

I began coaching gymnastics in 2019 when the gym I was training at asked me to become a coach. Before coaching I was unsure of what path I wanted to take in life. For a while I thought I was meant to become an actress (horrible idea considering I suck at acting), but immediately after I started coaching I knew I was meant to become a teacher. These kids were passionate, energetic and smart. I was excited to go to work and encouraged to teach new skills. I think this experience was overall influential and is the reason I am here today.







### MY OUTDOOR ED TEACHER 2022

My outdoor education teacher was one of those teachers who was loved by all the students. He created a learning environment that was 100% hands on. The environment that he created wasn't just informative but it was fun and safe. He was inclusive, positive, and allowed his students to be creative and adventurous. I would like to incorporate outdoor education in my classroom because 1 think allowing our students opportunity to adventure is extremely important. He influenced my view on outdoor learning and the overall importance of teaching adventure.





