



2025 *Distinguished* GRADUATE

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Sarah Strybos was born and raised in San Antonio and has known from a young age that her heart belonged in early childhood education. Her passion for teaching preschoolers began early — at just 15, she got her start as a camp counselor and hasn't looked back since.

After graduating high school in 2019, Sarah began working as a substitute teacher at the very preschool she once attended as a child. That experience cemented her desire to dedicate her life to nurturing and educating young minds. While continuing her work in early childhood education, she also earned her Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential, balancing professional growth with academic progress.

In 2024, Sarah briefly stepped away from home to participate in the Disney College Program in Orlando, Florida. Though the experience was valuable, she quickly realized that her true calling was back home — with her students. Upon returning, she accepted a position as an assistant teacher at the Will Smith Zoo School, a nature-based preschool owned by the San Antonio Zoo. There, she feels she has truly found her place — combining her love for teaching with her appreciation for the natural world.

While she still has plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in the future, Sarah is in no rush. She knows she's exactly where she's meant to be — making a difference in the lives of children every day.

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to **change the world.**”

— Nelson Mandela



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