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About Me:

I am a proud Atkins High School Alumna — Class of 1997. This town, this school is in my blood! After graduating high school, I attended the University of Central Arkansas with the intention of majoring in Marketing and spending my life in the “business world.” However while working at Acxiom Corporation as a college student, I quickly decided that the “business world” was not for me. I had the amazing opportunity to be a counselor at Arkansas Girls State for three years, and that experience — along with the incredible advice from my husband — allowed me to realize that education was the profession I was born for. In 2001, I graduated UCA with a BSE in English and began teaching at Atkins in February 2002. I later received my MSE in Educational Theory and Practice from Arkansas State University and am currently working towards my National Board Certification.

My husband Donnie and I met while working together at Acxiom Corporation. We married in 1998. In 2001, our lives were forever changed for the better when our daughter, Avery, arrived. She is the joy of our lives. Atkins is our home. In 2007, my husband opened J.D.’s Mercantile, the place to go in Atkins for hardware, maintenance, and outdoor supplies.

My favorite things to do are centered on my family. I love to snuggle up and read before bed, watch *Once Upon a Time* or *Castle* marathons while doing makeovers with Avery, play with our bulldog Max, and shop till I drop! But another favorite of mine is to teach. I believe I’m a teacher because that’s exactly what God planned for me, and although it’s hectic and tiring sometimes, I could not imagine doing anything else.