



Well, here's a little information about your LEAP teacher, Ms. Harned. I graduated Central Connecticut State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education in 2002. I began working for the Orange School District as the LEAP (talented and gifted) teacher shortly thereafter. While working in Orange, I earned my Master's Degree in 2005 from the University of Connecticut in Educational Psychology with an emphasis in gifted and talented education. I have recently earned my 6th year degree in Educational Technology from the University of Connecticut. I have been working in Orange for 9 years and love every minute of it. I get to work with the most dynamic students on units that we all enjoy.

All of the units that have been developed and used in LEAP incorporate math, science and language arts. Most of the units use a hands-on approach to learning where students are able to gain knowledge and meaning to create a real world experience. Units are presented in either an individual setting or a small group setting.

I strongly support each and every one of my students in the program. Creating an environment where students feel comfortable taking risks and feel supported by their peers and teacher is very important to me and my students. I love learning right along with my students.