



Mr. Smolenski's Biography

My name is Jay Smolenski and I've been teaching in the Orange Public Schools since my career began in 1997. At that time I entered Turkey Hill School as a Sixth Grade teacher in Room 401, and I haven't changed since. During the years I have taught everything from advanced math, to science, and Geography.

Presently, I have a Bachelor of Arts degree in Curriculum and Instruction and a Masters degree in Elementary Education from the University of Connecticut. In addition, I have another advanced degree from the University of Hartford in Technology in Education. Finally, a few years ago I earned 15 credits in the area of Reading. As you can tell, I not only enjoy being the teacher in front of the classroom, but being a student as well.

I have always lived in the New Haven area and don't plan on going anywhere any time soon. I live with my wife, Jennifer, my son, Jacob, and my daughter, Molly. We enjoy doing most things together as a family like watching movies out in the back yard, going to a ball game, or just riding our bikes around the neighborhood.