

To Kris' family and colleagues,

I just want you to know that LWTech is in sympathy with all of you. Kris led an important part of our college community. She made sure that we were aware of the great work happening with the parent co-ops and made sure that we were doing everything we could to support this important effort. It was always a joy to have Kris come and present updates to our executive team and to make sure that our partnership continued to move forward through the years.

Kris' service to our community and to the LWTech college community is widely recognized and appreciated. I am glad that we were able to recognize her for her many years of service.

Kris' legacy lives on through the partnership between LWTech and our community's parent co-ops. We are all grateful for the contributions she made to the additional empowered parenting certificates and additional learning opportunities for co-op families.

We are all so very sorry for your loss. Please know that you are not alone.

# Amy Morrison, Ed.D.

President
Lake Washington Institute of Technology

I had the privilege of working with Kris since September 2024. As the dedicated leader of the Parenting Education program at LWTech, she brought vision, compassion and excellence to everything she did. Over the past year alone, she spearheaded the development of two new certificates and thoughtfully revised all course outcomes to better serve student and families. I'll always be grateful for the time I had to work with Kris – her energy, wisdom and passion for teaching left a lasting impression on me and so many others.

# **Vicki Chew**

**Dean of Instruction** 

Lake Washington Institute of Technology





# Congratulations Teacher R7788



























Oh Teacher Kris - you have touched so many lives from the littles to the bigs who are learning to raise them. All three of my children loved their time in your class. I recall arriving early on registration day each year to get in line outside LWTG to ensure we would get into your class! Your wise, loving and realistic approach to parenting toddlers was solid back then and has returned to my toolbox as I now parent teenagers! It's actually not that different!

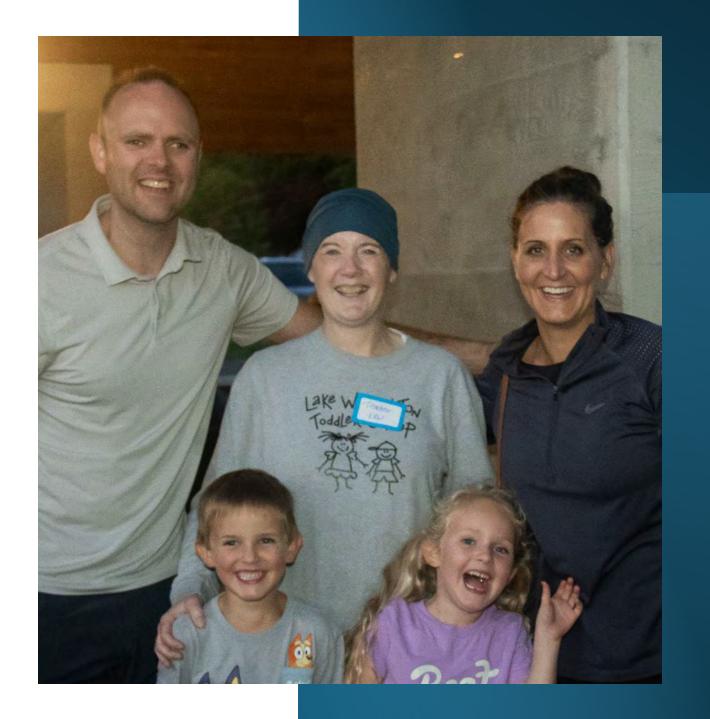
I adore you, Kris, and will forever be grateful for your presence in my family's life. Wishing you peace and rest.

Dear Teacher Kris, thank you for being an awesome teacher, and guiding me and my children through difficult preschool years at LWTG. You have made huge differences in many children's and parents' lives, and we are forever grateful for your kindness and dedication.

You've raised so many children and shaped us as parents along the way. Your wisdom, your lectures, and above all, your kindness will never be forgotten.







# Hello I'm Teacher Kris

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Lovely to meet you! I have been a part of LWTG for 26 AMAZING years. I attended with all three of my kids, starting in 1995, and served as Class Coordinator & Board President. I began teaching here in 2000 and have been here ever since! Lake Washington Toddle Group is a very special place.

### Fall Favorites

I love watching the Hawks with my friend group who all went through LWTG together. It's a great way to stay connected & chat about parenting (even though our kids are now adults!)

### Summer Fun

This summer my son and I went to Missouri to visit my sister and her family - it's a tradition we have had for 10 years. Adventures always ensue, wonderful memories are made and we laugh until our sides hurt.

# My Family

My husband and I have three grown children (aged 20, 25 and 27) and a wonderful little Bichon named Spike.

# Teaching (

My favorite part of starting a new year is seeing children explore our classroom for the first time; there is so much to see and do and they often run from thing to thing the first few weeks just to experience it all. Hearing from parents & caregivers how much their child is learning is what makes my job so special.





I will always remember Teacher Kris with great fondness. A lovely, helpful, kind and fun teacher. I'm thinking of Kris and her family at this hard time.

I am so grateful for your kindness and beautiful heart. I love you, Kris. Thank you for sharing your wisdom with all of us! My children and my life are better because of LWTG! Especially you Kris! The kids and I are keeping you in our prayers every night. Kris has always been such an advocate for parents and their toddlers and has been a shining light for all who have the pleasure of knowing her. Her unwavering positivity during her journey has been a tremendous inspiration.

Kris touched so many lives and been such an important part of our parenting journeys, guiding us with love and kindness. She will be very fondly remembered.











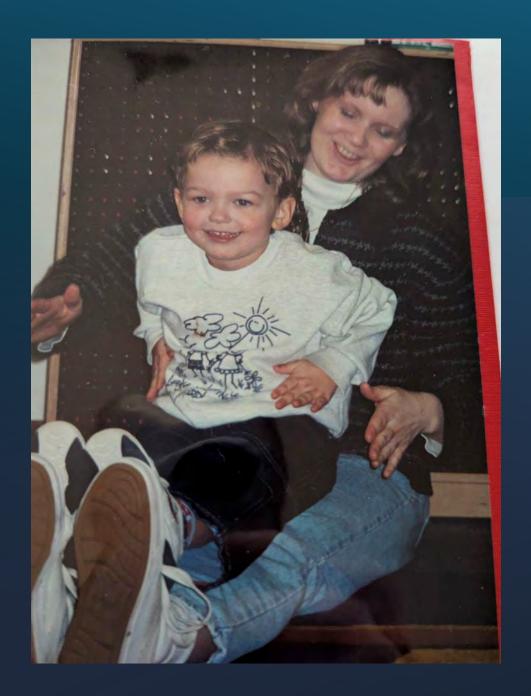


Kris has touched so many lives, ours included.
She was our toddler group teacher, and her laughter and smile were immediately contagious.
She had so much knowledge to share, and our kids are better for knowing her...we all are. Rest peacefully, my friend.

You were my children's very <u>first</u> teacher, and the warmth, care, and guidance you gave helped shape their early love of learning (and bubbles). We often think back on those days at LWTG with gratitude and affection. Please know that your kindness and dedication made a lasting difference in our lives, and we are holding you in our hearts during this time.

I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Teacher Kris. It brought tears to my eyes as I remembered her full of life and always with a smile. She taught me to embrace the beautiful chaos of motherhood and to be flexible, but above all, to be loving and kind. I hope she knew the profound positive impact she had on so many of us. I will miss her dearly. With deepest sympathy and a virtual hug.

Kris has impacted so many people with her positivity, wisdom and strength. I feel so blessed to have known her as a colleague, supervisor and dear friend. I am convinced her family, friends and LWTG community will continue to spread her love.





















In honor of Kris and her family. Thinking of you all, sending you hugs and prayers for peace and comfort. You are a beautiful person, Kris, and you have made a difference in so many lives of the moms and kids you have served over the years.

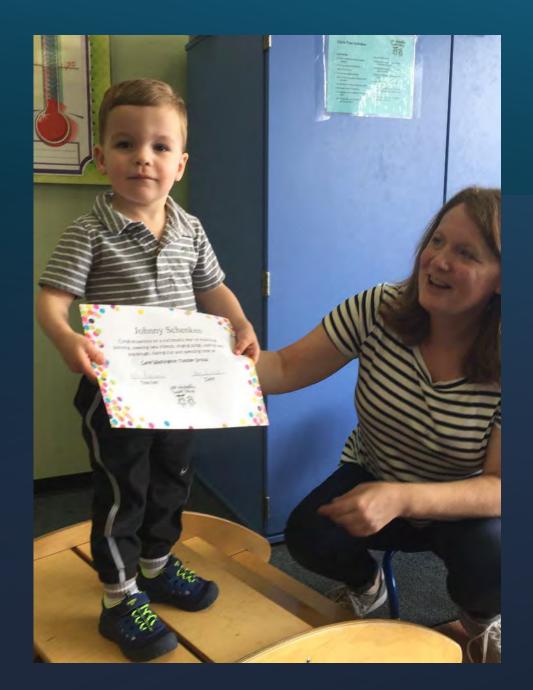
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I'm so sorry for your loss.

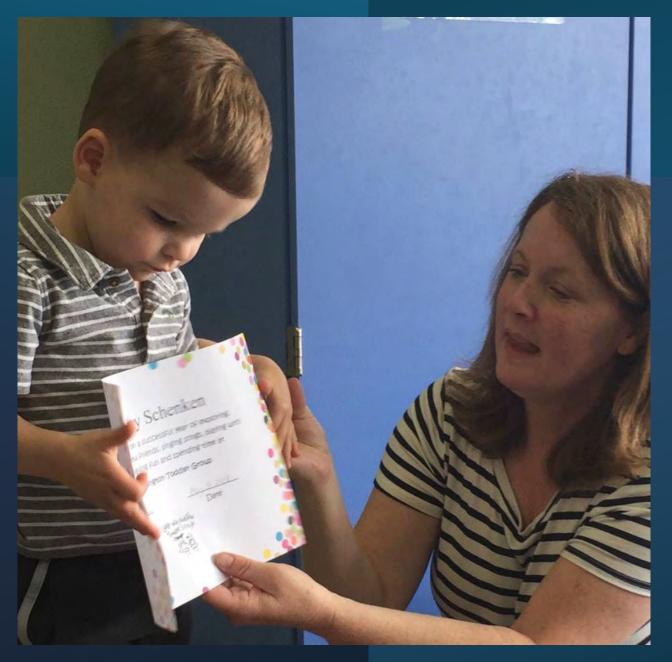
Thank you, Teacher Kris, for sharing your time, energy, wisdom and light with us. You've made a lasting impact on our family. I'm so grateful our paths crossed. Please know that you and your family are in our hearts, thoughts and prayers. With love and gratitude.

Teacher Kris, my daughter's first teacher and one of the kindest people I have ever known.















Kris was in my class the first year I taught at LWTG. She was so supportive and involved. I admired how devoted she was to her children and her family. Always so upbeat and willing to encourage all the other moms in their own journey into motherhood. She is a special lady. The kind of person and teacher people loved and admired. Wishing comfort and peace for her and her family.

Oh, my heart – what an amazing teacher, person and soul she is. I will always remember her warm, kind smile and the way she was so welcoming and kind. She will be deeply missed by so many. How lucky we are to have known someone too hard to say goodbye to.

Kris, you consistently gave so much of yourself to support others, always going above and beyond what anyone could expect. Few people leave such a lasting and meaningful impact on the lives of so many, but you are certainly one of them. Thank you for being there for us. Please know that now, during this time, we are here for you too and thinking of you with love.

Kris is a kind soul who dedicated her life to loving children and helping moms be their best. When my kids were at KCP, I did not know her well, but I knew then that she was kind, gentle and a hard worker. I'm sure she will be missed!















We are so sorry to hear about Teacher Kris. Our hearts are breaking for your family. We were blessed to have Kris for about five years with our two children. She helped us navigate so many challenges and bumps in the early years. I was always so impressed by her strength, dedication and ability to show up every day with a smile on her face despite her cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Thank you, Teacher Kris for caring for and enriching our little ones.

Kris, you are such an inspiration for so many. I love and appreciate you, not only for all you've done for our children and community, but for the amazing woman that you are, one who always found the silver lining in the darkest of clouds, with humor and grace. We'll continue to pay our kindness forward. Your legacy lives on through each family you touched.

Dear Teacher Kris, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your kindness, patience, and the love you shared with the children. My daughter still smiles when she remembers her time in your class. You will always have a special place in our hearts.

















Teacher Kris is in our thoughts. It has been a long time since we have been a part of Toddler Group, but we still remember how wonderful she was.

Thank you for all you have done for the community and the kids and their families. You've made the greatest impact in each of their lives. You are in my prayers.

Thinking of you and your family. We have been so lucky to have had you part of our parenthood journey. We are forever thankful. We love you.

Thank you for being such an important part of the LWTG community.



















Oh my gosh. I have not seen Kris since our kids were small (20+ years ago). I recognize her immediately and am sorry to hear she is in hospice. Please pass on to the family my condolences.

Kris was so kind to our kids. My son loved to go sit on her lap during circle time. So sad to hear she's gone. My deepest condolences to her family. May her soul rest in peace. What an impact Kris has had for the children of Kirkland and beyond. I first did a LWTG class with my daughter who is 32, and I'm now doing it with her daughter. We never had her as a teacher, but I know her impact has been felt by all of us. Praying for a peaceful time for her and her family. Hugs to all of you that have been touched by Teacher Kris.

Kris, you are loved so much, and your life has made a huge impact on our community. Thank you. Your life and work will live on through us all. Sending so much love to Kris and your family!!



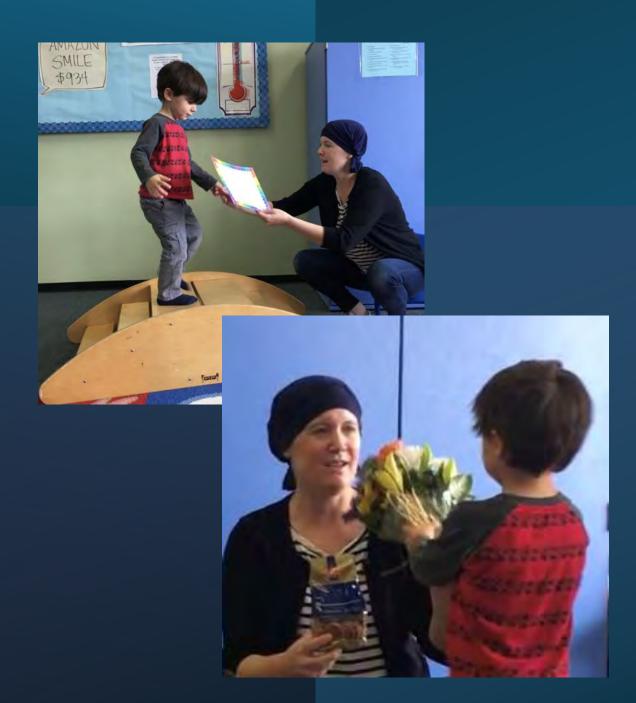














May you find peace and know that you will be loved always and remembered fondly. Your mentorship and friendship has impacted both my life and that of my family. I love you, and I'll listen to more Bon Jovi just for you. We have all been impacted by your teaching and support. Love to you, your kids, their families now and your Mike. May your memory be a blessing always to all those who knew you.

Kris is such an amazing teacher and one of the sweetest and kindest people I know. She consistently supported us and taught us how to be better parents. My motherhood has been significantly improved because of her. She has touched so many lives and hearts. Her family should know how much Kris means to all of us.

Sending lots of love and comfort to her family at this very difficult time. Teacher Kris was my son's first teacher at LWTG, and the memories and friendships we made there mean so much to us both. My son is now 16 years old, and we've moved back to Canada, but oh how I cherish those wonderful memories made at LWTG. Kris has touched so many lives and spread so much joy to so many families.

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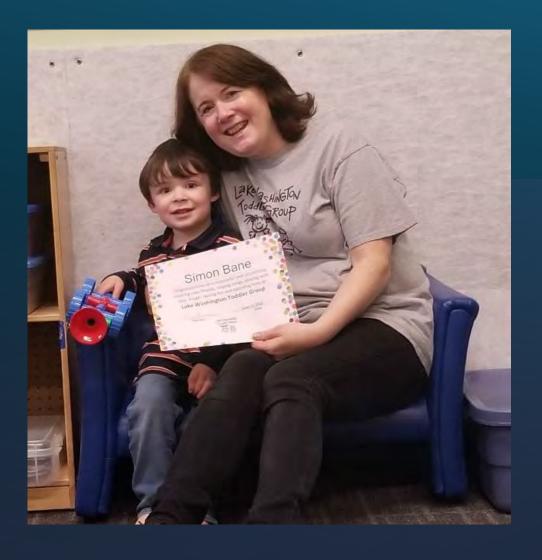














We are so appreciative and grateful to have had Kris for two years. Mabelle and I will cherish our times at Toddler Group with Teacher Kris. She was always happy, upbeat, and go so giving ... regardless of her situation. She's touched the lives of so many and helped/impacted new moms. We will truly miss her.

Thank you, Teacher Kris. You are the first teacher Cherly ever loved, and the first teacher she asked to go to class with on her own. Your warm smile and your patience gave us so much strength.

My heart goes out to Kris and her family.
We loved getting to know Kris over many
years of Toddler Group with my three kids.
We will keep you in our prayers.

You're the most courageous person I know, and I'm so grateful for all the hard work you did to keep your cancer at bay as long as you did.
I'm going to miss you so much.













