

MELISSA HOBBS is recognized as one of the best Career and Technical Education (CTE) teachers in the state of Utah.

APRIL 2024
CTE TEACHER OF THE MONTH

SCHOOL: Northridge High School | Davis School District

TEACHER: Architecture and Construction Career Cluster |
Interior Design Career Pathway
Arts, Audio/Visual Technology & Communications Career Cluster |
Fashion Apparel and Textiles Career Pathway

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION:
Melissa's passion for CTE is evident in everything she does.



Ellie Fowers



GET TO KNOW MELISSA HOBBS

BACKGROUND: Melissa was always interested in becoming a teacher. She wanted to share her passions with others and knew teaching would be the best way to do that. In high school, her math teacher, Mrs. Grose, and her FACS teacher, Ms. Thurgood, inspired Melissa to become a teacher.

EDUCATION: Melissa received her Bachelor of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences Education from Brigham Young University-Idaho.

TEACHER: Melissa consistently goes above and beyond to create meaningful learning experiences for her students. Her innovative teaching methods and dedication to student success truly sets her apart, positively impacting the lives of the students she teaches.

CLASSROOM: Melissa uses industry-level software to teach students the elements of sketching and computer-aided design (CAD) drawing techniques to create unique designs. The knowledge and skills students learn from this experiential learning prepares them to enter the workforce with experience and confidence. Melissa's classroom is a positive and enriching learning environment that fosters growth, creativity, and success. It's a place where students feel empowered to explore, create, and excel.

STUDENT SUCCESS: Melissa has had many students who have pursued a career in fashion design and interior design because of what they learned and experienced in her classes. Melissa instills in her students the importance of lifelong learning and adaptability in today's ever-changing workforce.

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Gabby Schippers

The Fashion Merchandising and Interior Design Career Pathways Melissa teaches attracts students because of the work she has put into the programs. Melissa encourages her students to have creative freedom to discover their style, while she provides a safe space for them to create whatever is in their imagination. This positive learning environment equates to students having autonomy and a voice as they create. Melissa interacts with her students while she teaches them concepts of design. She applies the skills she is teaching to their world and what they know. Melissa keeps up on trends, brands, and pop culture that affects her students. Her classroom is filled with laughter and is a place where students leave with a smile on their face.

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Melissa's dedication to integrating industry-level software into her curriculum and equipping her students with real-world skills sets her apart as an exemplary educator. Her use of the CAD program in Interior Design and Fashion Design has enhance the learning experiences of her students.

Melissa's efforts to build a robust program that fosters a supportive and engaging learning environment has inspired countless students to explore and excel. Her passion for Family Consumer Sciences Education shines through in every lesson she delivers and every project she undertakes. Her innovative approach to teaching and her unwavering dedication to student success are qualities that truly embody the spirit of an FCS educator.

Lola Evans
Education Specialist, Utah State Board of Education

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As a CTE teacher at Northridge High School, Melissa's class is an engaging place for students to explore and discover. It is a space where students know that they are supported and respected. These students know that Mrs. Hobbs sees them and cares about them.

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Melissa is intentional about keeping her instruction of design skills and knowledge current so that students leave her class industry ready. When a student takes a design class from Melissa they gain real world knowledge and have relevant experiential learning. This learning environment provides her students with an understanding of the industry that awaits them plus the intrigue, competence, and confidence to be a part of that industry.

Stacy Johnson
Davis School District FCS Specialist

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Melissa's commitment to excellence and her innovative approach to teaching have made a significant impact on the lives of those she teaches.

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Melissa runs a top-notch high-quality program at Northridge. Her students are fortunate to have her! Melissa is innovative and works hard to provide her students with an engaging experience that prepares them for their lives and careers. She is well deserving of this recognition as teacher of the month. Congratulations Melissa!

Brian Hunt
CTE Director, Davis School District

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