



Dena Miller

Coast Kids Preschool Staff since December 2022

Hi, my name is Dena Miller. I am happy to be joining the Super Pre-K team and work with Miss Brandi in B110. I have already met your children and I think they are amazing.

Fundamentally I believe and support this statement made by Harvard School of Education... *"Teachers explore ways in which hope, and resilience can be nurtured, and highlight ways to amplify the existing strength of families, schools, and communities."* This statement is so true during the times that we are in now and have been in the last couple of years. At Coast Kids this is truly happening, and I am grateful to be one of the whole body of teachers teaching hope and resilience with the support of strong families, and our strong community in North Coast Calvary Chapel. In faith we find strength and love amongst each other through God's internal guidance.

I come from a genetic line of teachers; my amazing mom taught elementary physical education until I was 12, then she went on to get her masters of earth science to then teach at Vista high school for 20 years. My mom's mom taught preschool for over 30 years in Pasadena and my mother's grandmother taught K-3rd. Years ago, I had my own daycare. Recently, I have been working as a substitute teacher in the local High Schools. I have been a coach for the San Dieguito Surf Team and have worked as a personal trainer. I am currently working on my Master's in Education along with adding to my Early Childhood Education. I attended Cal State San Marcos in the multi subject program. What I truly know and understand from my studies and life experiences is that life is an ongoing process of learning. I hope to inspire your children to be lifelong learners while having so much fun. I am glad to be back with preschoolers.

I am a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces. I served in the U.S. Air Force as a member of the Presidential Honor Guard based in Washington D.C. I am so very grateful for my time in the Air Force. I trust those who lead our great country and are currently leading our great country. I hold true this statement made by John Quincy, *"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, you are a leader."*

My sons are now grown and quite large. My oldest is six foot five and my youngest is six foot 3. They are men now and very loving humans. I am so grateful to be their mom. During my free time I love to surf and ride my bike. I look forward to meeting all of you.