

Name:

Arianne Menon

School:

Lafayette Tecumseh Junior High School

Education:

B.S. – Indiana University, Bloomington, 2001

M. Ed. – Indiana Wesleyan University, 2005

Years of teaching experience: 6**Subjects/Courses Taught:**

- Honors Algebra 1
- 8th grade academic math (Pre-Algebra)
- Pre-Algebra for the English Language Learner

Graduate Fellow:

Eric Kukula

How will you build on your GK-12 experience during a second year?

Eric and I are in a great situation. We can build and expand our previous projects - and create new STEM activities - to continue to provide excellent learning experiences for the kids. As well, we are both focusing, in part, on 'being there' for the incoming teachers and fellows as a support system.

How have you grown, both personally and professionally, through your participation in the GK-12 program?

I feel that I am now better able to design and incorporate STEM-based activities that relate to my curriculum. It is still scary some times – having an excellent extra brain around has made all the difference!

Describe the most positive aspects of the GK-12 program for yourself, your students, your school, etc.

I feel like we are creating problem-solvers and thinkers!