



# MEET THE STAFF!



## The Basics!

My Name is Mr. Michael J. Nelson! I am a sixth grade teacher at Monarch Global Academy. This will be my 5<sup>th</sup> year of teaching but my first year at MGA: 3 years teaching 6<sup>th</sup> Grade in Fairfax, Virginia and one year teaching 5<sup>th</sup> Grade in Richmond, Virginia. Before I started teaching in Virginia, I was a full-time substitute teacher in Long Island, New York and spent much of my free time volunteering as a Fire Fighter and E.M.T. for the Dix Hills Fire Department. I am married to Laura Nelson and we are expecting our first baby around September 24<sup>th</sup>. We are very excited about becoming parents and are looking forward to meeting our baby boy or girl.

## My Childhood

I grew up on Long Island, New York with my two older brothers, my younger sister, and 28 cousins! Early on, my parents taught us to value the 3 F's: Faith, Family, and Friends. I have many fond memories of helping out at Church functions, massive family get-togethers, and playing outside with friends.



## My Favorites!

- Food:** New York Pizza/Italian
- Movie:** Armageddon
- Book:** Ms. Nelson is Missing!
- Color:** Blue
- Drink:** Coca Cola
- Season:** Winter
- Sport:** Baseball
- Fast Food:** Chick-fil-A
- Singer:** Billy Joel
- Hobby:** Running
- Subject:** Math
- Store:** Amazon
- Dessert:** Napoleon Cake
- Candy:** M & M's
- Restaurant:** Cheesecake Factory
- Flower:** Sunflower



## My Education!

I earned my Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education from the State University of New York at New Paltz. After that, I continued my education earning a Master's Degree in Literacy Education from the City University of New York at Queens. I like to attend advanced academic conferences and trainings, especially on the topic of using technology in the classroom.

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