

I've been at Sunrise for almost my entire life and just like all toddlers or preschoolers I didn't want to let go of my mom's hand on that first day. But then I met Gina and I knew everything was going to be OK. Once I was used to it I tried to make a couple friends and some of them I still have today. I remember seeing a little girl walk in the door holding tightly onto her mom, and believe it or not that little girl was Hannah, I walked up to her and flat out asked her if she wanted to be my friend and she said yes! Then after toddlers, I started preschool, pre-k and kindergarten, in Cheryl's class. These were some of my favorite years at Sunrise. Cheryl would sing, play guitar and joke around, but she also taught me how to take a piece of blank paper and some paint or crayons and let my artistic side flow. I would draw just about anything but after a while I got hooked on horses. This started to develop one of my big ideas in Kindergarten. That idea was to try to convince Cheryl to let me and the rest of the kindergartners draw horses and put them up on the wall. And what do you know it worked! It's amazing how that happens sometimes! After those fun years in Cheryl's class I moved on to Judy's. Judy was really welcoming and she helped me bring out my quiet, calm and respectful side. She would have us write in journals, draw pictures and do monart. Mel also made Lower Elementary a fun experience. She would help me in math facts and would also talk with me about horse, horses and well, horses. Then there was Amber, Julie and Adria. They all made my stay in Lower Elementary fun and exciting. When I moved up into Upper I recieved a "Potawatomi Indian Summer" book that I love reading over and over again! Then after Lower I moved on to Upper Elementary where I met Kathy, Vicki, Wendy and Jan. They all helped me bring out my confident and leadership side. I learned how to put myself in other people's shoes and how to try to solve problems in a peaceful way. The Upper classroom is probably one of the most peaceful and exciting classromms. With Leo, Kathrine, Elaine, Dinora and for my fourth year Felicia, they all help in shaping the minds and working and learning abilities for all of us. I know that I and my fellow 6th years could thank all the teachers we've had over the years a million times. You have all helped us and we are all ready to move on, but Sunrise will stay in my heart forever. Mom and Dad, thanks for forcing me to go to this school. I wouldn't be where I am today if I hadn't gone to school here, literally. Bonnie and Janice you are some of the nicest people I know and I hope you realize how much you have helped me through my years here. I will always be a part of Sunrise. I will come visit and I hope NONE of you forget me! Thank You :)!!