



Walla Walla Public Schools Classroom Close-Up



TEACHER NAME: Pam Clayton

SCHOOL: Homelink

Position: Advisory Consultant

YEARS IN DISTRICT: 11 years

Q. What is your role with Homelink?

A. I am an advisory consultant. I meet with families to discuss the student's learning goals. I am responsible for writing student learning plans and I connect students with teachers so they can schedule classes.

Q. Why are strong parent relationships so important to Homelink?

A. Part of my role as a certificated advisory consultant is to meet with families every month. We meet and discuss what they are doing academically at home. I try to maintain a relaxed atmosphere which allows us to dig deeper into their academic progress. It takes time to develop these relationships with parents.

Q. Why does Homelink appeal to the families you serve?

A. Homelink provides a flexible schedule for students and this appeals to parents who homeschool. We have students who come on campus twice a week (Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday).

Our students are able to pick and choose the classes they want to take. The majority of the students we serve come for the full day, twice a week. There are a few who come for selected classes like art, PE, or science.

Q. How does the Homelink staff collaborate to provide this program?

A. We work really well together. The teachers meet at least weekly to discuss their lessons and how they are going to integrate certain concepts and content into their curriculum.

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**MOMENTS & MEMORIES FROM
PAM CLAYTON:**

We have families who are here for medical issues and religious beliefs. We also serve traditional homeschool families who like our program to support the curriculum being taught at home.



COMMENTS FROM PAM:

I have seen Homelink grow from serving just a few students to our current enrollment of nearly 100 students. We have committed families who are willing to do the hard work at home and partner with us. We see a lot of success.

We are able to give students who struggle one-on-one interventions and we dedicate time to individualize their education.



I was born in Walla Walla, but graduated from high school in Billings, Montana. My husband John is an EMT with the city. We have two daughters – one a freshman at Wa-Hi and the other a fifth grader at Sharpstein. I love to scrapbook.