Family From New England – CT & MA Youngest of 3 girls Polish, Mexican, Spanish, Mayan Lived in Albuquerque, NM Living in NC since 1998 Husband – Glenn Daughter – Carmen, age 11 Son – Kaden, age 9 Cat – Sammeo	Educator Visual Arts Teacher – 14 years @ Millbrook HS Department Chair PLT Leader Advanced Placement International Baccalaureate 	Education East Carolina – MSA Meredith College – Teacher Certification Western Connecticut State University – Undergrad.
What Matters Family time Strong work-ethic Open-mindedness Brainstorming & collaboration Risk taking (for the right reasons) Learning from mistakes Not sweating the small stuff PUBLIC education	Liz Stevenson	Travel & Adventure Alaska, Hawaii, Indonesia, New Zealand, Australia, Great Britain, Alaska, France, Mexico, Canada Grand Canyon (backpacked it!) Mountain Biking Water slides Roller-coaster enthusiast
Eats & Drinks Coffee, chocolate, cheese, steak, grilled anything, Thai, Italian, Mexican, Indian, French, red wine, black olives, Greek salad, creme brulee, and so much more	Books, Screens & Sounds <u>Sci-fi & Fantasy</u> : Star Wars, Star Trek, Harry Potter, Lord of the Rings, Twilight (camp Edward!), Madeleine L'Engle, Philip K. Dick, Walking Dead <u>Musicals</u> : Sound of Music, Cats, West Side Story, Phantom of the Opera <u>70's rock</u> : Rush, Yes, Queen, Pink Floyd, Heart, Led Zeppelin Silly cat videos	Jobs I Have HadGrocery store cashier & baggerBook store managerBerry pickerBaby sitterClothing store clerkAutomobile titleGraphic DesignerturnerAssembly line order pickerLaw firmTobacco farmFreelance artistShow shovellerOffice managerBunch of Grapes costumed pamphletKnife sellerGarnival game- booth workerCarnival game-

Liz Stevenson's Top Ten Pet Peeves

- 10. Believing there is only one right way to do things (*Your* way or the *wrong* way!)
- 9. Being unwilling to collaborate; wasting PLT time, being disengaged during professional development, etc.
- 8. Mediocrity
- 7. Always blaming students, parents, colleagues or anyone else when your students fail; not taking personal responsibility
- 6. On the job retirement
- 5. Having a defeatist attitude; giving up on your students
- 4. Closed-mindedness
- 3. Using grading practices and discipline policies to wield power over students
- 2. People who don't care about our students (Why are you here?)
- 1. Not learning from mistakes (notice I didn't say "not *making* mistakes")