

Ed-Co Alumni

Jared Diers - Class of 2000

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How far can a Viking go? Jared Diers graduated from Edgewood-Colesburg in the class of 2000 and currently teaches at Western Dubuque Middle School. After high school, Jared attended Wartburg college for one year and later transferred to the University of Northern Iowa. He graduated from UNI with a degree in Technology Education and a minor in Technology Management. Following graduation, he received his master's in Curriculum and Instruction. Jared currently resides in Colesburg with his wife, Amanda, and their two children, Josie and William. His love for the Edgewood-Colesburg area made him stay close to home. "I loved to hunt and fish and our area has some of the best hunting and fishing. Some of my fondest memories involve Ed-Co and I felt that the district as a whole has a strong educational system with phenomenal teachers. Lastly, if it was a good enough place for my parents to raise me, it would be a wonderful place to raise my children," stated Jared. When asked what advice he would give to current and past high school students he commented, "Find something you are passionate about and go for it. Don't worry about if your friends are doing it or not. Be you. You do not have to have a four-year college degree to be a successful adult. If you chose to go to a technical school to learn a trade and just want to go to work when you graduate, do it! You only get one opportunity to be in high school. Do as many extracurricular activities and take as many different classes as you can. You never know what you might find interesting. Lastly, just have fun and enjoy it, one day you will look back and miss it like crazy!" This Viking is going places, how far will the next one go?