



Bullfrog Staff Spotlight



Hello, my name is Belvey Russ. This is my second year teaching ESOL at Great Seneca Creek. I also help out with the Drama Club after-school. I graduated from Howard University with a degree in Theatre Administration and Production. After college, I worked professionally in theatres around the country.

ESOL means English for Speakers of Other Languages. Many people find it surprising that most ESOL students at the Creek were born in the USA, but speak a language other than English at home. We also teach students who have moved to Germantown from all over the world.

I started teaching ESOL in South Korea to children and adults. I also spent time in Nepal volunteering as an English teacher. I have had such a great opportunity to travel and meet people from around the world through ESOL. Before coming to the Creek, I taught ESOL and college prep classes at a transitional bilingual high school in the Bronx, New York. It was very gratifying to watch students start 9th grade speaking no English, graduate four years later and go on to college.

I am excited about working with elementary school students here at the Creek. The school community is very welcoming and friendly.

~ Belvey Russ ~