

New Teacher Joins St. Joseph's Community

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Amanda Del Duca is one of many teachers who have joined our community. She started teaching at St. Joseph's Catholic High School on September 4, 2018.

She has been teaching Cosmetology and Religion for 3 years and wants to keep teaching for many more. She has taught at another school, St. Peter's CHS.

Ms. Del Duca loves to teach. She loves to inspire students to follow their dreams as she did. Her aunt was a teacher and that made her want to teach. She finally started teaching because of "a previous teacher of mine." She liked that teacher so much she decided to become a teacher.

Ms. Del Duca was born in Ottawa, but grew up in Barrie. She wanted to be a hairstylist, but her parents weren't exactly on the same page. So she attended Georgian College for business, but even after she finished college, she still wanted to become a hairstylist.



At the time she worked for CDR (Centre for Disaster Recovery), a school for restoration contractors. She also did marketing and administration work. She worked there for about 2 years. She moved to Toronto to attend Hairstyling and Aesthetics school. Then she worked at L'Attitudes salon and spa. When she finished trade school for cosmetology, she transferred back to Barrie to work at a salon for approximately 10 years.

She decided to go to Teachers College at the University of Toronto. So she commuted to Toronto and opened up a salon in her basement so that she could work and go to school. When she finished school, she moved back to Barrie and opened a restaurant with her boyfriend called 147. She also has a home salon and works here at St. Joseph's.

St. Joseph's is fortunate to have such a well experienced and qualified staff member.

This photo shows Ms. Del Duca sitting with a manican in her hands.