

POTTSGROVE HR SPOTLIGHT ON...

Jason Gault

Jason Gault has been a Pottsgrove Falcon since the 2007-08 school year. Jason is an English language arts teacher at Pottsgrove High School and prior to that, he taught for one year at West Shore School District in Harrisburg. He went for his undergrad at the University of Pittsburgh and earned his Bachelor of Arts in English Literature. He later attended Marywood University in Scranton and earned a Secondary Education Certification for English language arts. Marywood University is special to Jason because his wife also earned her teaching certificate there, and his son Dylan currently attends. Prior to working in public education, Jason landed his first job at the age of 13 as a dishwasher at the restaurant Chi-Chi's.

Jason enjoys spending most of his time outdoors or with his wife, daughter, son, and two dogs. Jason is an avid Star Wars fan and loves anything fantasy or science fiction. His special skills include being able to start a fire in any kind of weather, building a shelter in under an hour with outside materials, and he is a good fly fisherman. Jason has already planned his dream vacation for his 50th birthday in 2028. He will go on an 80-mile hike to the Everest base camp. He shared that he will begin training very soon for the six-eight day hike. Jason has hiked in northern Canada, the west coast, and Colorado. When it comes to food, Jason's favorite meal is steak, potatoes, and broccoli. He prefers to cook a meal at home rather than get takeout. Jason shares that his wife is his hero due to all of the hardships that she has overcome with being a childhood cancer survivor. He adds, "She's a fighter. She's never down or stressed. She seizes every day and inspires me to do the same."

Jason's favorite Pottsgrove memory is every graduation because "getting to see my senior students from the first to the last day is special." Jason shares that the Pottsgrove community reminds him of where he went to school. He adds, "Pottsgrove is a community just as much as it is an educational institution." The best piece of advice that Jason gives to his students is, "Get comfortable with the uncomfortable. Just because it's uncomfortable doesn't mean that it's bad or you can't do it." He shares that he encourages students to do the same things every day, but do them differently so that they do not fall into mundane routines.

